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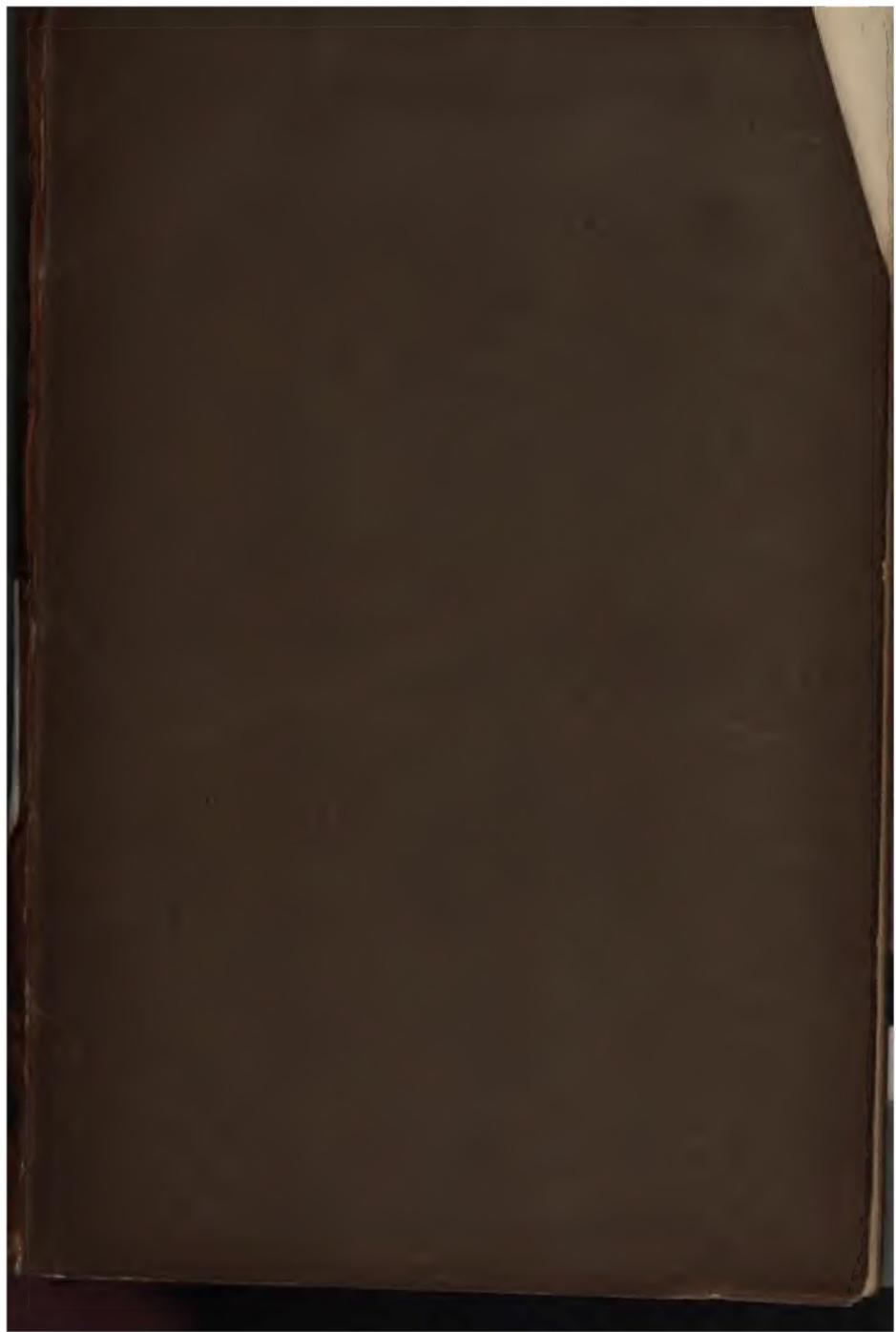
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Dr. Ducarel presents His  
Compliments to Dr. Lord, &  
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**A C C O U N T**  
OF THE  
**ALIEN PRIORIES,**  
AND  
**OF SUCH LANDS**  
AS THEY ARE KNOWN TO HAVE POSSESSED  
IN  
**ENGLAND AND WALES,**  
Collected from the MSS. of JOHN WAR-  
BURTON, Esq. and Dr. DUCAREL.  
**A N E W E D I T I O N,**  
IN TWO VOLUMES.

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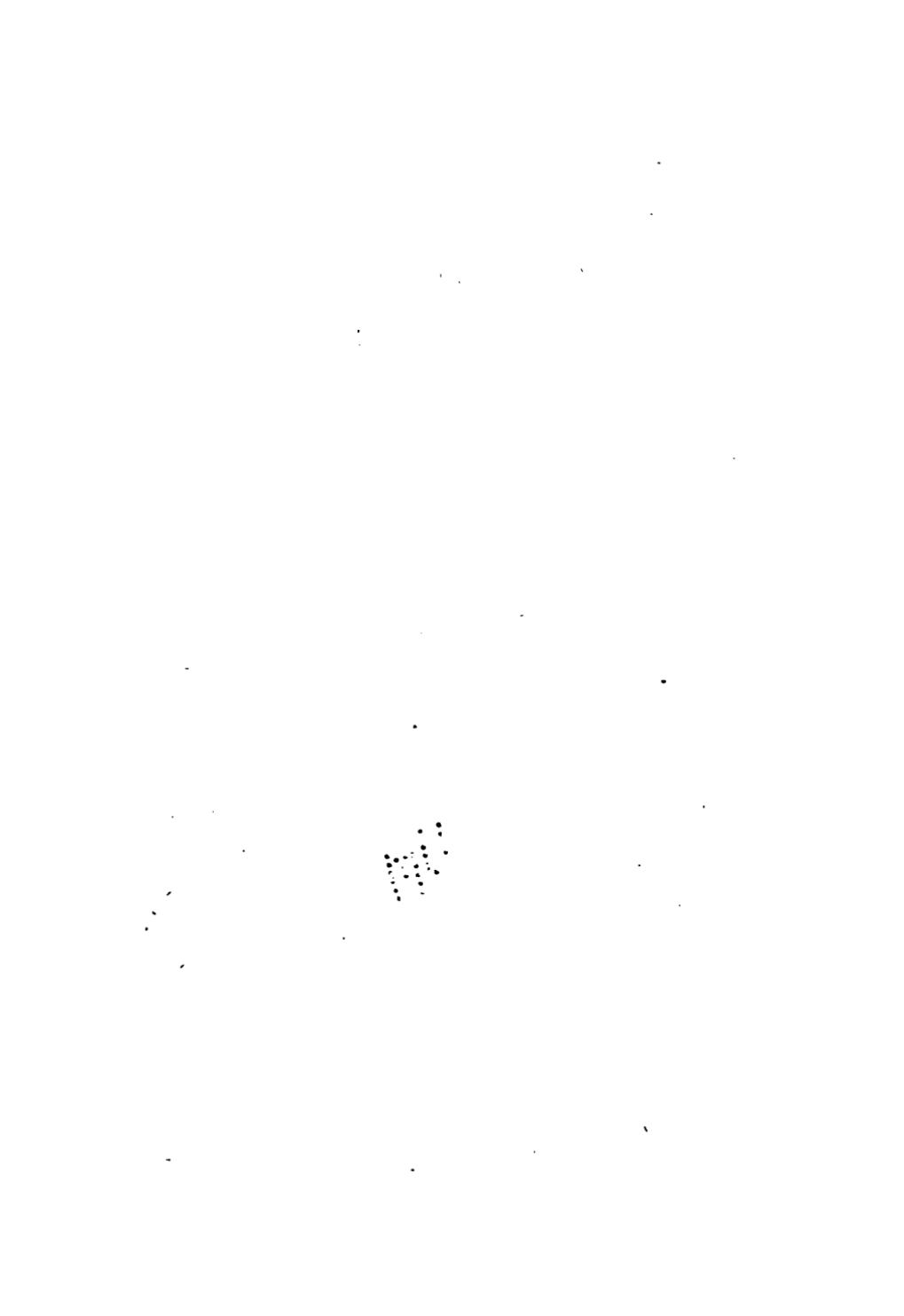
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## P R E F A C E.

**A**S nothing hath hitherto been published which professedly relates to the Alien Priories and their Possessions in this kingdom, it is hoped that the following Collections (by a Gentleman whose name I am not permitted to mention, and which have since been considerably augmented by some other learned friends) will prove acceptable to the Lovers of English Antiquity.

They consist of two parts:

1. Of the cathedrals and religious houses in Normandy:
2. Of those in other parts of France.

*Alien Priors* were cells of the religious houses in England which belonged to foreign monasteries: for when manors or tithes were given to foreign convents, the monks, either to increase their own rule, or rather to have faithful stewards of their revenues, built a small convent here for the reception of such a number as they thought proper, and constituted priors over them. Within these cells there was the same distinction as in those priories which were cells subordinate to some great abbey; some of these were conventional, and, having priors of their own choosing, thereby became entire societies

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societies within themselves, and received the revenues belonging to their several houses for their own use and benefit, paying only the ancient apport\*, acknowledgement, or obvention, at first the surplusage to the foreign house; but others depended entirely on the foreign houses, who appointed and removed their priors at pleasure. These transmitted all their revenues to the foreign head houses; for which reason their estates were generally seized to carry on the wars between England and France, and re-

\* *Apportus* or *apportagium*, (from *portare*), an acknowledgment, oblation, or obvention to the mother house or church. Du Cange.

stored to them again on return of peace. These alien priories were most of them founded by such as had foreign abbies founded by themselves or by some of their family\*.

The whole number is not exactly ascertained; the Monasticon hath given a list of 100; Weever (p. 338) says 110; an account is here given of 146. A few in Normandy, mentioned in Neustria Pia only, (whose lands have not yet been discovered) are supposed to have been founded by some of the ancient English nobility or their descendants.

\* Burn's Eccl. Law. art. *Monastryes*.

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Some of these cells were made indigenous or denizon, or ende-nized \*.

The alien priories were first seized by Edward I. 1285, on the breaking out of the war between France and England; and it appears from a roll, that Edward II. also seized them, though this is not mentioned by our historians †; and to these the act of restitution

\* See in the Appendix to vol. II, No. III. two forms of making a priory denizon, for Thetford and Trinity priory, York.

† In the great roll of Edward III, it is said, that Edward the father of Edward III. having wars with France, seized the priories of Panfield and Wells into his hands, and granted the custody thereof to Robert de Stokes then prior, of Panfield, paying the accustomed sum of £. 76 *per ann.* Morant, Essex, II. 407. from an original roll supposed to be in the hands of Sir Martin Wright. Rymer has printed an instrument

restitution i Ed. III. seems to refer \*.

In 1337, Edward III. confiscated their estates, and let out the priories themselves with all their lands and tenements, at his pleasure, for 23 years †; at the end of which term peace being concluded between the two nations, he restored their estates 1361, as appears by his letters patents to that of Montacute, c. Somerset, printed at large in Rymer, vol. VI. p. 311. and translated in

ment whereby the king confirms the right of a foreign dean and chapter to present to a church in England. Foed. vol. IV. p. 466. Appendix to vol. II. No. XI.

\* Close Rolls i E. III. 1327.—Rymer IV. p. 246. Appendix to vol. II. No. IV.

† Weever, p. 338. Barnes' Hist. of Edw. III. p. 113. Rymer IV. 777. Appendix to vol. II. No. V.

Weever's

Weever's Funeral Monuments, p. 339. and in the Appendix to vol. II. No. VI. At other times he granted their lands, or lay pensions out of them to divers noblemen\*. They were also sequestered during Richard II's reign, and the head monasteries abroad had the king's licence to sell their lands to other religious houses here, or to any particular persons who wanted to endow others†.

Henry IV. began his reign with shewing some favour to the

\* Tanner, Not. Mon. pref. x. Dugd. Bar. II. 74.

† Rymer VII. 697. Tanner, xi. Appendix to vol. II. No. VII. See an extent of Alien Priories 1, 2, and 3 R. II. in the Remembrancer of the Exchequer's office, cited Dugd. Warwickshire, 2d Edit. I. p. 37.

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alien priories, restoring all the conventional ones, only reserving to him in time of war what they paid in time of peace to the foreign abbeys \*.

They were all dissolved by act of parliament, 2 Henry V, and all their estates vested in the crown except some lands granted to the college of Fotheringhay.

The act of dissolution is not printed in the statute books, but is to be found entire in Rymer's *Fœdera* IX. 283, and in the Parliament Rolls, vol. IV. p. 22, whence it is copied in the Appendix to vol. II. No. IX.

\* Rymer VIII. 101. Appendix to vol. II. No. VIII.

In general these lands were appropriated to religious uses.

Henry VI. endowed his foundations at Eton and Cambridge with the lands of the alien priories, in pursuance of his father's design to appropriate them all to a noble college at Oxford\*.

Others were granted in fee to the prelates, nobility, or private persons †.

Such as remained in the crown were granted by Henry VI. 1440, to archbishop Chich-

\* Gascoigne v. *Rex.* Tanner, xii. See in the Appendix to vol. II. No. I. and II. a list of the lands, &c. belonging to alien priories and given to Eton and King's colleges.

† Pat. 19 Hen. VI. p. 1. m. 30. Rymer X. 802. Appendix to vol. II. No. X.

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BEING  
A GENERAL DESCRIPTION  
OF THE  
SEVEN NORMAN CATHEDRALS.

NORMANDY, one of the most fruitful provinces in France, except in wine, is bounded by the English channel on the North; by Picardy and the isle of France, on the East; by the Orleannois on the South; and by Britanny and another part of the English channel on

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the West: being near 200 miles in length from East to West, and 100 in breadth from North to South. It was formerly called Neustria, and is divided in two parts, Upper and Lower.

Upper Normandy comprehends the País de Caux, Bray, Vexin, Roumais, Champagne, Ouche, Lieuvin, and Auge.— Lower Normandy those of Befsin, Bocage, Côtentin, Avranchin, and Houme.

The French geographers subdivide this province into jurisdictions, generalities, governments, and dioceses; but I shall confine myself to the latter, which are seven in number;

Rouen,

Rouen, Bayeux, Avranches, Evreux, Seez, Lisieux, and Coutances.

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The diocese of ROUEN is one of the largest and most considerable in the kingdom of France. It is 35 leagues in length, and 20 in width, bounded by the sea on the North side, and within land contiguous to the dioceses of Amiens, Beauvais, Paris, Chartres, Evreux, and Lisieux. In that extent are comprehended the País de Caux, de Roumois, de Vexin, and de Bray. The city of Rouen, and towns of Dieppe, Gifors, Caudebec, Havre

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de Grace, Montivilliers, Fescamp, Andely, Meulan, Pontoise, Magny, Chaumont, Gournay, Lions, Eu, Aumale, Neufchâtel, Arques, Elbeuf, Quillebeuf, and Harfleur; above 60 bourgs, or boroughs; 1388 parishes; six arch-deaconries; 30 rural deanries; 10 chapters of canons; 28 abbeys; and above 100 religious houses of both sexes. The archbishop of Rouen is primate of Normandy, earl of Dieppe and Louviers, and lord of Gaillon, Fresne, and Deville; having in those places Haute Justice, *i. e.* a power to judge and determine all civil and criminal causes (except high treason) arising within

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within the liberty or precincts of these places. He collates to nine dignities in the cathedral of Rouen, and to near 60 canonries as well in that chapter as those of Andely and St. George. He presents or nominates to 120 churches, 40 chapels, and several other benefices, and his annual income is about 50,000 livres. The bishops of Bayeux, Avranches, Evreux, Seez, Lisieux, and Coutances, are his suffragans.

The fee of Rouen owes its foundation to Mellon, a native of Cardiff in Glamorganshire, who planted Christianity here about the middle of the third

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century. The first cathedral dedicated to the Virgin Mary, was built by him about A.D. 270; the present by St. Romain about 633, enlarged by Richard I. duke of Normandy, 942, by archbishop Robert, surnamed the Magnificent, 1030, and finished by Maurile 1055. The nave is in length 210 feet, the choir 110, and Lady chapel 88: total length from East to West 408 feet: the breadth of the nave and ailes 93 feet, and the length from the pavement to the vaulting 94 feet; the transept 164 feet from North to South; the center tower, 152 feet high, rests on four pillars, each

each 31 feet in circumference, and composed of 31 smaller pillars, and supports a spire 380 feet high, ascended by 500 steps, erected 1514; it has 130 windows, three of them in form of roses or marigolds, and many of them beautifully painted. The archbishop's throne and the stalls are very magnificent, and built 1467. The screen before the choir has two handsome chapels, that on the right hand dedicated to our Lady of the Vow by the citizens, in a great plague, about the middle of the 14th century. There are 23 other chapels. The Lady chapel behind the choir was built by

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the chapter 1302; it is 57 feet high, well lighted, and full of magnificent tombs.

The West porch, with its towers, is 170 feet wide; the three portals loaded with bas-reliefs and niches stript of their statues by the Hugonots 1562: over the middle door was the genealogy of the Virgin. This front being ruinous was taken down 1509, and rebuilt by Cardinal d'Amboise, then archbishop. Three of its turrets were blown down in a most violent hail-storm on Midsummer day 1683, which did other damage to this church to a considerable amount. The *tour de Beurre*, or *Butter*

*tower*, on the right hand of the portal, so called from a papal dispensation permitting the contributors towards it to use butter and milk meats during Lent, was begun 1485, and finished 1507, near 230 feet high, and contains the great bell called *Georges d'Amboise*, cast 1501. The corresponding tower of St. Romain was built as at present about 1470, and contains eight bells and a large one. Before the West front is an inclosure nearly square, called the Porch or Court of our Lady, with a fountain. The two transepts have also rich porches with two towers. One of these is called the Booksellers Porch, because

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because their shops were formerly in it. The other, Portail de la Calende.

The chapter consists of the archbishop, dean, chanter, treasurer, six archdeacons, a chancellor, and 50 canons.

In the middle of the choir is the tomb of Charles V of France, 1380, with his figure holding in his hand his heart which is buried here: on the side of the high altar, the figure of Richard I, king of England, whose heart was also buried here: and opposite to him Henry, son of Henry II, king of England; William his uncle, son of Geoffrey Plantagenet

tagenet and the empress Matilda\*: John, duke of Bedford, regent of France 1435. In the Lady chapel are monuments of the two Cardinals d'Amboise, uncle and nephew; Louis de Breze, grand seneschal of Normandy, and his wife Diana de Poitiers, who had been mistress of Henry IV. Card. Deschamps, bishop of Coutances, 1413; archbishops Maurile 1067, Card. Estouteville 1483, John de Bayeux 1087, William Bonne Ame 1110, William de Flavacour 1306, Ralph Roussel 1452. In the old choir

\* The churches and lands in England given to this cathedral by several of our early kings, may be seen in the Monasticon, vol. II. p. 1017. See also Dr. Ducarel's Anglo-Norman Antiquities, p. 23.

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lay Rollo, first duke of Normandy, and his son William Longspé, the second duke, and in the present nave Sybilla, wife of duke Robert II, 1102. In the choir of this church, the dukes of Normandy were crowned by the archbishops.

Rouen has had a succession of upwards of 90 archbishops.

See “Les antiquitez & singularitez de la ville de Rouen, par N. Taillepied. Rouen 1587,” 8°. & 1610, 12°.

“ Chronologie historiale des archeveques de Rouen, par Jean Dadre, ib. 1618,” 8°.

“ Histoire des archeveques de Rouen. Rouen 1667,” & “ Histoire

toire de l'eglise cathedrale de Rouen:" both by P. Pomeraye, 1678, 4°.

“ Histoire de la ville de Rouen. Rouen 1738,” 4 vols. 12<sup>m</sup>o.

“ Histoire abregée de Rouen. Ib. 1759,” 12°.

“ Carte particulière du diocèse de Rouen, dressée sur les lieux, par M. Fremont de Dieppe, sous les yeux et par les ordres de feu M. Jacques Nicolas Colbert archevêque de Rouen; à Paris, chez le S. Taillot, Geographe du Roy, joignant les Grands Augustins, 1715.” In six large sheets.

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The diocese of BAYEUX is above 20 leagues in length, and 17 in width, comprehending some parts of it included within other neighbouring ones. It is bounded by the ocean on the North, and surrounded on the other sides by the dioceses of Lisieux, Seez, Avranches, and Coutances. In it are contained the País de Beffin, de Bocage, the Campagne de Caen: the towns of Bayeux, Caen, and Vire, Condé sur Noireau, Torigny, Tinchebray, and 20 other boroughs; four archdeaconries, 17 rural deanries, 14 abbeys, above 40 monasteries and religious

gious houses, and 615 parishes. The income of this bishoprick is above 80,000 livres *per annum*. The bishops of Bayeux are always deans of Caen, and call themselves *prototrones*, and say they are the first bishops of Normandy, and that as such they have a right to preside in provincial councils in the absence of the archbishop of Rouen.

“ The city of Bayeux, situated on the banks of the little river Ause, and about a league and an half from the sea, is old and very indifferently built, having for many years past been greatly neglected, and is now daily falling to decay. This misfortune is in great measure owing

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owing to the flourishing condition of its neighbour Caen, from whence the distance is not above eight leagues. At present it contains 17 parish churches, including those in the suburbs, and seven convents, of which three are appropriated for men and four for women.

“The present cathedral, which was erected in the year 1159, by bishop Philip de Harcourt, and dedicated to the Holy Virgin, is large, and built in the form of a cross, with pointed arches. In the center of the transepts is a handsome square tower, of a more modern date, surmounted by a light and elegant spire. The portail at the

West

West end is flanked by two square towers, each of which terminates in a very lofty spire; and the lower part of the whole is formed by five porches. That which is in the middle has a pointed arch formed by five ogives, the reins and mouldings whereof are enriched with carvings, representing the figures of most of the principal persons mentioned in the Old and New Testament. The mouldings of the sweeps of all the other porches are plain. In the centre pier of this portail stands a statue of the Virgin Mary; and on each side thereof are six figures of the apostles as large as life. This portail, together with the

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statues thereon, appears to be coeval with the present cathedral.

“ The interior part of the church is not adorned with any statues, or other ornaments; and the choir, pictures, and painted glafs, are very indifferent. According to an old register-book of the church, there stood, in the year 1499, just within the entrance, and on each side of the portail, two colofsal statues; one, of William the Conqueror, opposite to the chapel of St. Giles; the other, of St. Christopher, fronting the chapel of the Holy Sepulchre; but both of them disappeared during the ravages made by the Calvinists. In one of the

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windows, under a figure in painted glass which represents St. Exuperius, who is said to have founded this bishoprick so early as the middle of the third century, are the following verses :

Primitus hic pastor templi fuit hujus et autor,  
Catholicamque fidem Northmannis attulit idem.

“ I could not meet with a single monument or epitaph in this church; but history tells us, that Agatha, the youngest daughter of William the Conqueror, dying upon her journey to Spain, whither she was going in order to be married to Alphonso king of Galicia, her body was brought

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back to her native country, and deposited in this cathedral\*.

“ Overagainst the West door is a cross, greatly resembling our Waltham cross, and erected, as I was informed, upon the very spot where the Protestant mob burnt the reliques in 1562. It is ornamented with the statues of St. John, St. Malo, and St. Lo.

“ Here I had the satisfaction of seeing the famous historical tapestry, which with great exactness, though in barbarous needle-work, represents the his-

\* She is reported to have spent her time so much in prayer, that her knees were brawned; and that, being affianced to Alphonso, she prayed that she might die a virgin, which came to pass. Ord. Vitalis. Rob. of Gloucester.

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tory of Harold king of England, and William duke of Normandy, from the embassy of the former to duke William at the command of Edward the Confessor, to his overthrow and death at the battle fought near Hastings; in which, as appears by the Latin inscription, which ranges in Gothic capitals over the heads of the figures, Odo bishop of Bayeux\*, half-brother to the Conqueror, fought armed cap-a-piè, and behaved very manfully. The ground of this piece of work

\* His great seal, representing him as a bishop on one side, and as an earl on the other, is engraved in plate VII. of Dr. Ducarel's Anglo-Norman Antiquities, p. 75. and in the Archæologia, vol. I. p. 335.

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is a white linen cloth or canvas, one foot 11 inches in depth, and 212 feet in length. The figures of men, horses, &c. are in their proper colours, worked in the manner of samplers, in worsted, and in a Gothic style, the human figures being without the least symmetry or proportion.

“ There is a received tradition, that queen Matilda, wife of the Conqueror, and the ladies of her court, wove this tapestry with their own hands. It is annually hung up on St. John’s day, and goes exactly round the nave of the church, where it continues eight days. At all other

other times it is carefully locked up in a strong wainscot press in a chapel on the South side of the cathedral dedicated to Thomas Becket, whose death is there represented in a very indifferent old picture.

“ In an old inventory of the goods of the cathedral of Bayeux, taken in the year 1476, this piece of needle-work is entered thus: “ Une tente tres longue et etroite, de telle a broderie de ymages et eserp teaulx \* faisans representations du conquest d'Angleterre; le quelle est tendue environ la nef de l'eglise le jour et par les octaves des reliques.”

\* Quære *escripteaulx*, writing, or inscriptions.

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“The priests of this cathedral, to whom I addressed myself for a sight of this remarkable piece of antiquity, knew nothing of it. The circumstance only of its being annually hung up in their church led them to understand what I wanted; no person there knowing that the object of my enquiry any ways related to William the Conqueror, whom they to this day call duke William.” Ducarel’s Anglo-Norman Antiquities, p. 79, 80.

A particular description of this curious piece of antiquity may be seen in Montfaucon’s Monumens de la Monarchie Françoise, tom. I, p. 371—374. pl. xxxv

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viii. Memoires de l'Acad. des In-  
scriptions, &c. IX. 535. XII. 369.  
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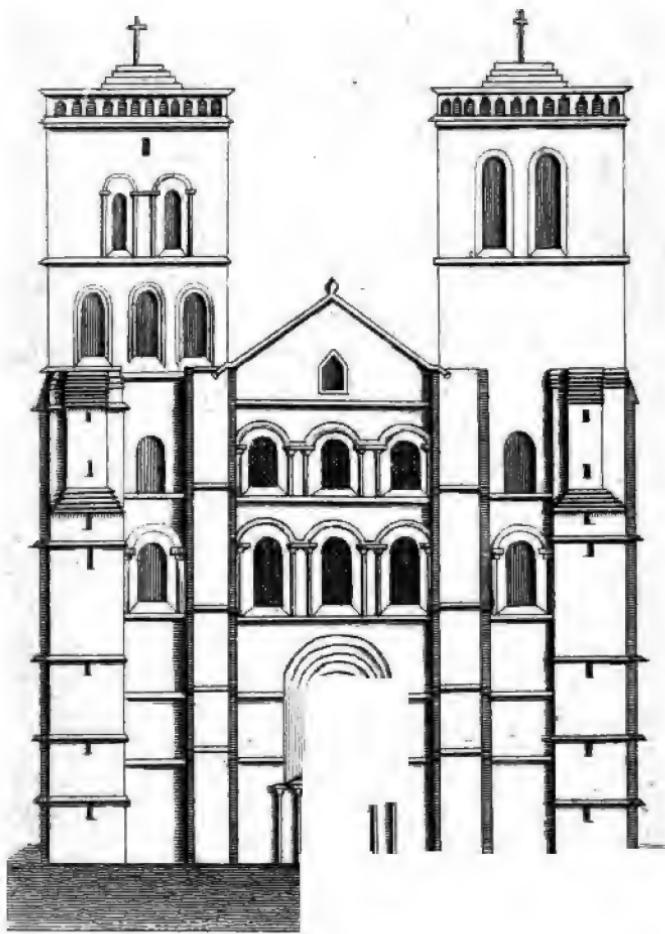
“ Carte Topographique du  
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dissime Paul d'Alert du Luynes,  
eveque de Bayeux, par Bernar-  
d Jaillot; à Paris, 1736.” It contains  
alſo “ Plan de la ville et faux-  
bourgs de Caen:” and “ Plan et  
environs de la ville de Bayeux.”  
In two large ſheets.

\* This laſt account was drawn up by the late  
Smart Lethieullier, esq; F. R. and A. S.

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The diocese of AVRANCHES is of no great extent, in length only 14 leagues, and in width eight leagues. It has the sea on the West side, and on the others is contiguous to the dioceses of Coutances, Bayeux, Mans, Rennes, and Dol. This diocese contains the Païs d'Avranchin and the environs of Mortain, and is part of the bailywick of Cōtentin. After Avranches, its principal towns are Mortain, le Mont S. Michael, Pontarson, and St. James. There are 12 boroughs, two archdeaconries, six rural deanries, five abbeys, seven other monasteries and religious houses,



*View of the West Front of the Cathedral Church  
of Avranches in Normandy.*



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houses, and 180 parishes. The annual income of the bishop is about 65,000 livres. The cathedral is dedicated to St. Andrew, and was consecrated 1121, by bishop Turgis, in the presence of Henry II, king of England, and a kind of council; and its chapter consists of a dean, chanter, treasurer, schoolmaster, two archdeacons, and 25 canons. [De la Force, *Descri. de la France*, IX. 61. 519.]

The learned Huet was bishop of Avranches. *The present Bishop P. A. Godard de Belbeuf res  
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The diocese of EVREUX is above 20 leagues in length, and 15 in width. It is surrounded by the archbishoprick of Rouen, and the bishopricks of Chartres, Seez, and Lisieux. It contains the Païs d'Ouche, de Champagne, and the districts called la Campagne de Newbourg, and la Campagne de St. André ; and the towns of Evreux, Vernon, Louviers, Pont de L'arche, Elbeuf, Conches, L'Aigle, Breteüil, Verneüil, Nonancourt, Ivry, and Pacy : three archdeaconries, 12 rural deanries, 480 parishes, 10 abbeys, and many religious houses. The annual income of this bishoprick

shoprick is 16,000 livres, and the bishop is earl of Brosville, Illiers, and Condé sur Iton.

“ Evreux, the *Mediolanum* of Ptolemy, Ammianus Marcellinus, Antoninus, and the Peutingerian tables, but called *Ebroicum* by more modern writers, is considered as one of the most ancient cities of Normandy. Under the dominion of the Romans, it made part of the second Lyonnaise; and under the French kings it was included within the kingdom of Neustria, and therewith ceded by Charles the Simple to duke Rollo. Richard I, duke of Normandy, erected it into an earldom in favour of his son

Robert;

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Robert; upon the failure of whose heirs male it descended to Almeric, earl of Montfort, son of Simon de Montfort, by Agnes, daughter of Richard, eldest son of the before-mentioned Robert, the first earl of Evreux. Simon, the eldest son of this Almeric, earl of Montfort and Evreux, coming into England, married Amicia, one of the sisters and coheirs of Robert Fitz-Painel, earl of Leicester, and in her right obtained that earldom, together with the stewardship of England, in addition to his other titles of earl of Montfort and Evreux. It at present belongs to the duke of Bouillon, who took it in exchange for the principality of Sedan.

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“ The city is situated in a most pleasant and fruitful valley, screened on the North and South sides by steep hills, and plentifully watered by the river Iton, which divides itself into three banches at a small distance from the walls. One of these branches turns away North from the city ; another runs on the outside of the walls, and at a very small distance from them ; and the third, which is an artificial canal, cut at the expence of Joan of France, daughter of Lewis Hutin, and wife of Philip count of Evreux, afterwards king of Navarre, passeth through the midst of the city. Evreux, including the fauxbourgs

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fauxbourgs, contains nine parishes\*, and several religious houses; of the latter of which the most remarkable are, the Benedictine abbey of St. Taurinus, belonging to the monks of the congregation of St. Maur, and the abbey of the Holy Trinity, and our Saviour in the mystery of the transfiguration, founded for Benedictine nuns.

“ The present cathedral is dedicated to the Holy Virgin, and esteemed one of the finest structures of its kind in France. It

\* That is, within the city, the parishes of St. Peter and St. Nicholas; and in the faubourgs, those of St. Thomas, St. Denys, St. Leger, Notre Dame de la Ronde, St. Aguiline, St. Giles, and St. Germain.

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was built by Henry I, king of England, instead of that said to have been founded by St. Taurinus, bishop of Evreux, about the year 412, and which, together with most of the churches and public edifices in the place, king Henry, at the time of the contests between him and earl Almeric, had, in the year 1119, with the approbation of Ouen, bishop of the diocese, caused to be burnt down, in order to reduce the city to the necessity of surrendering to his forces, which had long laid siege thereto. This cathedral is built in the form of a croſs. The nave and choir are separated from the chapels

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and side aisles by 32 elegant pillars, 16 on each side; and the transept of the cross forms an octagonal dome, or lantern; over which rises a lofty turret, terminated by a spire, which was erected by Lewis XI, at the instance and under the immediate inspection of the famous cardinal Ballie, whilst he was bishop. At the back of the chancel, and adjoining to the church-yard, are three figures standing against a pillar, and representing canons of the cathedral, having their heads covered with their ameuffes, according to the custom of former times. At a little distance from them, against another pillar,

lar, stands the figure of a fourth canon, bare-headed, and holding his hand upon his heart, in token of repentance. Tradition says that this last figure was designed to represent a canon, who, being convicted of heresy, was excommunicated, and deprived of his ecclesiastical benefices, but having afterwards abjured his errors, was reconciled to the church, and restored to his former rights and privileges. To this it is added, that the chapter, in order to perpetuate the memory of that transaction, insisted, at the time of the rebuilding of the cathedral, by Henry I, king of England, that these figures should

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continue fixed to the pillars of the church.

“ The chapter of this cathedral consists of 31 canons, among which they reckon seven dignitaries, viz. the dean, the grand chanter, the three archdeacons of Evreux, Newbourg, and Ouche; the treasurer, and the penitentiary \*. Eight of these canons being established upon the old foundation are styled barons, on account of the barony of Angerville which belongs to them. Next in rank to the dignitaries, is the abbat of Bec; to whose

\* The dean is elected by the chapter; but all the other dignitaries and canons are in the collation of the bishop.

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office a canonry in this cathedral  
is perpetually annexed.

“ The abbey dedicated to St. Taurinus stands near the spot where that sainted bishop was interred. Behind the chancel of the abbey-church, at the depth of about eight feet from the surface, is a vault to which you descend by two flights of stairs, each consisting of six steps; and within it is a tomb, which, as the monks aver, was the depository of St. Taurinus. It is continually visited with great devotion by the neighbouring inhabitants, who are fully persuaded, that by the intercession of the saint they shall receive a

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cure for every disorder where-with they are afflicted." Duca-rel's Anglo-Norm. Antiq. p. 85.

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The diocese of SEEZ is 25 leagues in length, and between eight and 10 in breadth. It is surrounded by the bishopricks of Lisieux, Evreux, Mans, and Bayeux. It contains the Païs du Houme and des Marches, and part of the country of Perche: the towns of Seez, Alençon, Argentan, Falaise, Hiesmes, Mortagne, and Bellême, Trun, Ecouchey, Carrouge, Effey, Moulins, and several other boroughs; five archdeaconries, six rural deanries,

ries, many abbeys and religious houses, and 500 parishes. Its annual income is 10 or 12,000 livres. The cathedral, dedicated to the martyrs Gervasius and Protasius, is a handsome building, and one of its chapels is a parish church. The chapter consists of a provost, chanter, principal archdeacon and four others, 16 canons, and four demi-prebends. The chapter was secularized 1547, and all these benefices are in the gift of the bishop; the canonries are worth 4 or 500 livres each.

The city for want of trade is almost deserted. It has four other  
d 4                    parishes,

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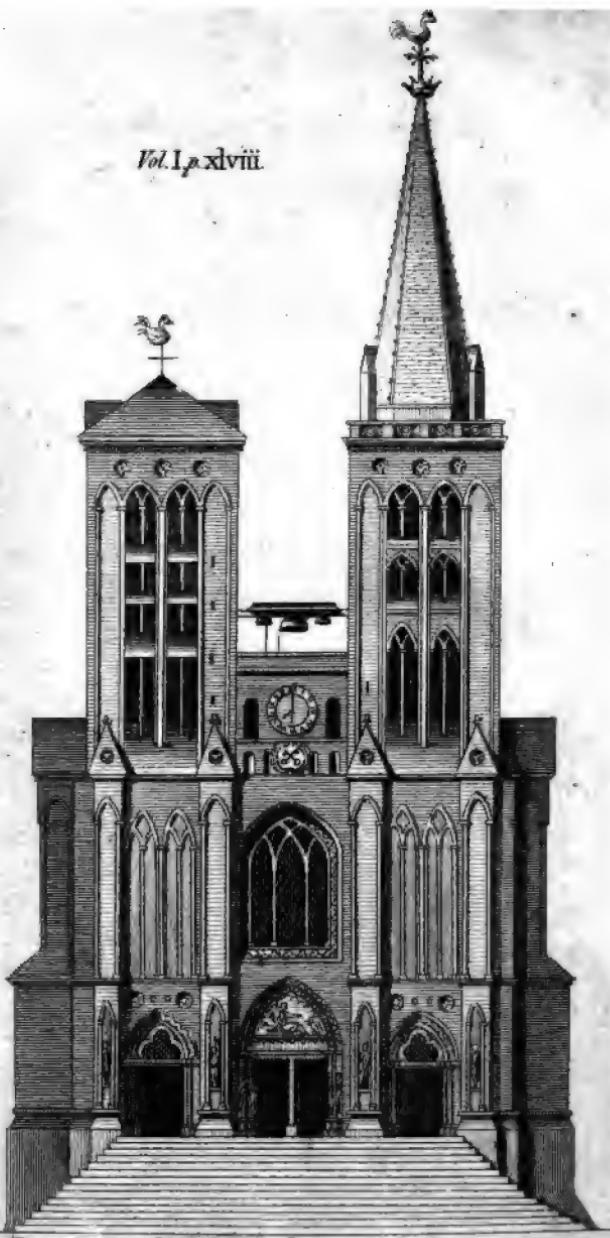
parishes, a Benedictine abbey, a  
convent of Cordeliers, &c.

De la Force, IX. 75. 550.

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The diocese of LISIEUX, first founded by Litard, contains 580 parishes, and four archdeaconries. It is near 20 leagues in length, and 15 in breadth. It is bounded on the North by the sea and the river Seine, and is contiguous to the dioceses of Rouen, Evreux, Seez, and Bayeux. It contains the Pais d'Auge and de Lieuvin; the towns of Lisieux, Pont-Audemer, Harfleur, Pont-l'Evêque and Bernay, Orbec, Montreuil, le Sap, Vimoutier, Cormeille, Tonque,

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*View of the Cathedral of Lisieux in Normandy*



Tonque, and several other boroughs; four archdeaconries, 14 rural deanries, eight abbeys, divers monasteries, and 580 parishes. The bishop, who is earl of Lisieux, collates to many benefices: several of which are in the city of Rouen, and enjoys an annual income of 40,000 livres.

De la Force, IX. 78.

“ Lisieux is a small city of Upper Normandy, and in the generality of Rouen, pleasantly situated on the river Tonque. This city, which was esteemed the capital of the Pais de Lieuvin whilst that country was under the government of the French kings, is now the property

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perty and see of the bishop, who is also earl of Lisieux. His diocese is one of the most considerable in the province.

“ The cathedral makes but an indifferent appearance, but contains some tolerably good monuments. In the choir is a brass monument for one Hannuier, an Englishman; and another, of white marble, erected for William d'Estouteville, founder of the college de Lisieux at Paris. In the chapel of the Holy Virgin stands the tomb of the founder, Peter Couchon, bishop of Beauvais, who, in reward for the judgment which he as supreme judge gave in the case of

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the Maid of Orleans, obtained the bishoprick of Lifieux. The bishop, however, afterwards repenting of what he had done in that matter, built this chapel, and therein founded a high mass to the Holy Virgin, which is sung daily by the choristers, in order, as it is expreffed in his foundation-charter, to expiate the false judgment which he gave in the above-mentioned case.

“ The canons of this church, by virtue of a compact between them and the bishop, enjoy the extraordinary privilege of being earls of Lifieux, with the full exercise of all civil and criminal jurisdiction

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jurisdiction within the earldom, during the vigil and feast-day of St. Ursinus in every year. In order to perpetuate this right, two of the canons elected by the chapter for that purpose having on the vigil of the saint dressed themselves in their surplices, covered with bandaleers of flowers, and holding nosegays in their hands, mount on horseback at the great door of the cathedral, and ride to each of the four gates of the city, preceded by two mace-bearers, two chaplains, and twenty-five halberdiers armed with helmets and cuirasses, and followed by all the officers of justice on horseback, clothed in

their proper habits, covered with bandaleers of flowers, and carrying nosegays in their hands. As soon as these canons arrive at the city-gates the keys are delivered up to them; and they there post a proper guard of their own, in lieu of that of the archbishop, which, on the delivery of the keys to the canons, immediately marches out. All customs payable within the city, and the profits of the fair therein held on St. Ursinus's day, belong to these two canonical earls; in consideration of which they deliver to each of the other canons a loaf of bread and two flagons of wine: and, in case any

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any post or place of profit within the earldom becomes vacant during these two days, they have the sole right of nomination and presentation thereunto \*.

“ Here is a Benedictine nunnery, founded in the year 1050, by Lesceline countess of Eu, with the assistance of her sons, earl Robert, and Hugh bishop of Lisieux. The latter lies buried at the entrance of the choir; and on the wall adjoining, is an inscription, in which he is called founder of that nunnery.”

Ducarel’s Anglo-Norman Antiq.  
p. 47.

\* The vigil and feast of St. Ursinus are celebrated on the 10th and 11th of June.

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The bishop of Lisieux had lands in England in the hundreds of *Coteslau*, and *Moselai*, Buckinghamshire; at *Tewa*, *Dimetery*, and *Bertone*, in Oxfordshire; *Etune* and *Sumreford* [one of the Somerfords] Wiltshire.

He also possessed lands at *Tarente* [one of the Tarants], *Preste-tune* [Preston], and *Come* [Comb], c. Dorset.

At *Redbourne* in Hertfordshire.

See Domesday in the respective counties.

At the time of the Conquest Hugh de Eu was bishop. He was son of the earl of Auge, and brother to Robert earl of Auge and William de Soiffons; a prelate

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late not more eminent for his noble descent than for his probity. He seems to have died 1087.

The canons were possessed of lands at *Devrel* and *Horningesham*, and of the church of *Awarefserie*. See Domesday, Wiltshire.

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The diocese of COUTANCES is 25 leagues in length, and between eight and 10 in width. It is bounded by the sea on the West, North, and part of the East sides, and is contiguous to the dioceses of Bayeux and Avranches. It contains le País de Cötentin;

Côtentin; the towns of Côutances, St. Lo, Granville, Carentan, Vallogne, and Cherbourg; 24 boroughs, amongst others, Ville Dieu, Periers, St. Sauveur le Vicomte, Monteburg, and Briquебec; four archdeaconries, 22 rural deanries, 10 abbeys, 24 monasteries and religious houses, and 550 parishes. The annual income of this bishopric is 25,000 livres French money\*.

The cathedral stands on the summit of the hill in the centre of the town. It was begun in 1047, and William the Conqueror assisted at the dedication. The

\* A French livre is worth eighteen-pence English money.

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great tower affords one of the finest prospects imaginable. The town is large, but the convents form a considerable part of its size, and the religious of different orders great part of its inhabitants. As it is two leagues from the sea, and has no navigable river, it has no commerce: but some few provincial noblesse reside in it <sup>a</sup>.

At the making of Domesday the bishop of Coutances possessed the following manors and lands in Somersetshire: *Doules, Caffecome, Hasecumbe, Stockes, Eſſetune, Winemereſbam, Cheteneore, Widicumbe, Harpetreu, Hotune, Lilebere, Wintreth, Aifecome, Clutone, Temesbare, Nortone, Clive-*

<sup>a</sup> Wraxall's Tour at the end of his Memoirs of the Houſe of Valois, II. 197, 198.

*ham, Ferenberge, Cliveware, Bic-beurde, Biscopewrde, Westone, Sanford, Estone, Portesbe, Westone, Clotune, Atigetee, Cheu, Bacoile, Budicome, Berve, Porberie, Estune, Firford, Lancheris, Wiche, Wilege, Contone, Werocosale, Wenfre, Fuscote. Stratone, Engliscome, Tuvertone, Stoche, Hardintone; Babingtone, Millescote, Lollitone, Horceriei, Tablesford, Rode, Caivel, Liteltone, Nivetone, Ferentone, Estone, Herpetreu, Amelberge, Chingestone, Camelei, Helgetreu, Opetone, Megele, Weregrave, and Stanwelle.*

In Devonshire, *Exeter, Barnstaple, Aiffe, Mertone, Framinstone, Clifte, Bovi, Coriton, Hermodesword, Hortone, Herewode, Engeflecote,*

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*Bocheland, Herlege, Reldreudiland,  
Torsewis, Horewod, Uluretone,  
Raweberge, Buldrintone, Bolenei,  
Limet, Colrige, Matingebu, Pillande,  
Wilstone, Dune, Hagintone, Radelię,  
Metcome, Braia, Bera, Celde-  
come, Witefelle, Buricetescome, Pat-  
sole, Cheneoltone, Welland, We-  
dickeſwelle, Eilevescote, Staveford,  
Gretedone, Wennebam, Hela, Brai,  
Norcote, Bredviche, Fendesholt,  
Norcote, Waleurde, Warcome,  
Middeltone, Stodles, Bocheland,  
Brennerige, Alre, Pleifstov, Fallei,  
Bedentone, Mollande, Anestige,  
Bocheland, Rodelie, Chageford, Tain-  
come, Branfortune, Revve, Ni-  
resse, Ulpeſſe, Cridie, Morceth,  
Sprewe, Come, Cekvertesberie, Stol-  
lei, Bradelie, Tulebrige, Wicbe,  
Uluredintune,*

*Uluredintune, Licheſbere, Pedebel,  
Farewei, Surintone, Meleſford,  
Torne, Chemeworde, Walcome,  
Sutecome, Tapelie, Clis, Crewelech,  
Kineſtanedone, Cheletone, Teigne,  
Langebewis, Poleſlewe.*

In Buckinghamshire, *Rande, Deneforde, Wadenbo, Scaldewelle, Hargindone, Hisham, Clifefſtone, Hocecote, Burtone Tingdene, Wendlesberie, Newetone, Edintone, Wodeforde, Trapefſtone, Stanere, Lubwic, Iſlep, Hortone, Crevelton, Finemere, Hedham, Sci- deswelle, Glintone, Oitone, Hortone Egforde, Wermelle, Lotegarser, Olvonge, Merſtone, Stivelai, Se-vineſtone, Etone, Linforde, Late- berie, Telingham, Stockes, Westone, Olnei, Launendene, Clyſtone, Se- rintone, Ambretone.*

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In Bedfordshire, *Cbenotinga*, *Melceburne*, *Dena*, *Giveldene*, *Eselton*, *Estone*, *Riselai*, *Bulchestre*, *Neunentone*; the hundred of *Wilga*, *Tornai*, *Heneunic*, *Sernebroc*, *Risedene*.

In Gloucestershire, *Aetune*, *Harbroc*, *Eftoch*, *Didintone*, *Wapelie*, *Lega*, *Herdicote*, *Dodintone*.

Also at *Grendesberie* in Leicestershire, at *Filungelei* in Warwickshire, at *Draicote*, *Wittenham*, *Winefel*, *Mameberie*, *Perteworde*, *Litelton*, *Wintreburne* in Wiltshire, at *Winterburne*, Dorset, and at *Carlone* in Berkshire.

The canons of Coutances had likewise lands at *Winterburne*, Dorset.

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D I O C E S E O F R O U E N .

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S T. O U E N .

**S**T. Ouen is a royal abbey, in the city of Rouen, probably the oldest in Normandy, founded about A.D. 538, by king Clotaire I. who placed therein some Benedictine Monks. Being destroyed by the Normans, it was, about 841, restored by Rollo, who was become a Christian, and it was much improved by

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Richard I and II. dukes of Normandy.

The church, built about 1126, being burnt down in 1136, Richard I. king of England, and Matilda the empress, rebuilt it. It was a second time destroyed by fire in 1248, and the present magnificent church was begun in 1318 by Abbat John Roussel. This abbey enjoys many privileges, and nominates or presents to nine priories, eighty parishes, and seven chapels. Its annual income is 70,000 livres.

Monaft. Angl. tom. II. 943. 13.

Neustria Pia, p. 1.

The monks of St. Audoen at Rouen had the manor of Mersey, or West Mersey, in Essex, by the gift of king Edward the Confessor ; upon which were settled there a convent of Bene-

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dictines, and it became a cell to that foreign abbey; and was afterwards granted by them to archbishop Chichele and William Chichele archdeacon of Canterbury. The grant is printed in Dr. Ducarel's Norman Antiquities, p. 26.

Tanner's Notitia, p. 118.

Patent. Normann. de anno 6 H. V.  
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The church is 416 feet long, including the Lady chapel behind the choir; the nave is 244 feet, the choir 102, and the Lady chapel 62; the nave is 34 feet broad, and 100 high; the side aisles each 44 feet wide, and the transept 130 feet long. The choir is surrounded by nine chapels, including the Lady chapel; and over the cross is a tower 240 feet from the ground, surrounded by a crown. This church is the burial place of the archbishops of Rouen, but contains no remarkable monuments. The cloister was built 1130, and the refectory 1250. Both the abbey and the church have hardly recovered the damage they suffered in 1683, from a violent storm of wind\*.

\* Descript. de la haute Normandie. Par. 1741.  
4to. tom. ii. p. 35—41.

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Seven large prints, representing views of the inside and outside of this fine church, and likewise of the monastery, have been published in “L’Histoire de L’Abbaye Royale de S. Ouen de Rouen, par un Religieux Benedictin de la Congregation de St. Maur. Rouen, 1662,” Fol. in which are several charters and seals, &c. of the ancient Kings and English Nobility.

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ST. Amand, a Benedictine Nun-  
nery, founded in the city of Rouen,  
A. D. 661, by Clovis II. augmented  
1030, by Goffelin Vicomte d'Arques  
& Emmeline his wife. Annual in-  
come 30,000 livres, and presentation  
to 17 churches.

Monaft. Angl. tom. II. p. 949. 52.

Neustria Pia, p. 185.

Histoire de l'Abbaye de St. Amand  
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Fol. Rouen, 1662, with many  
Charters, &c. of the old Kings and  
English Nobility.

Rot. Pat. Normann. de anno 6 H. V.  
pars i. m. i.

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Rex suscepit in salvam gardiam religiosas mulieres abbatiae Sancti Amandi.

Rot. Normann. de anno 6 H. V.  
pars 2. m. 27. De salva gardia pro abbatissa & conventu monasterii Sancti Amandi de Rouen.

Ibid. De restitutione temporalium  
abbatissae & conventui abbatiae Sancti Amandi de Rouen factis.

Rot. Normann. de anno 7 H. V.  
pars 1. m. 41. De salvis gardiis pro  
abbatissa & conventu Sancti Amandi de  
Rouen.

This abbey was burnt, 1126; the  
church a second time, 1248; but re-  
built again as it now stands, 1254;  
the tower, which was 80 feet high,  
fell and beat down the roof of the

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nave 1569. One of the abbesses, in 1700, re-built great part of the house, but the whole was destroyed by fire nine years after \*.

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FESCAMP is a town and sea-port in the País de Caux, fourteen or fifteen leagues from Rouen. Its abbey was founded for nuns by count Wanring, governor of the País de Caux, A. D. 664. It was burnt by the Normans 841, and rebuilt by Richard I. duke of Normandy, whose son, Robert archbishop of Rouen, dedicated it 990.

\* Descript. de la Normandie. II. p. 42. 45.

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Richard II. duke of Normandy removing these nuns to Montivilliers, placed here in their stead some canons, and sometime afterwards monks of the order of St. Benedict. This abbey enjoys several very considerable privileges. Some authors call it *amplissima & opulentissima*. It presents to 130 benefices, as well in the diocese of Rouen as those of Bayeux, Lisieux, Coutances, Chartres, and Beauvais. It enjoys so many estates, that its income is said to be 40,000 crowns per annum. It is at present held *in commendam*, by the cardinal de la Rochefocaud archbishop of Rouen; who enjoys from it an income of more than four thousand pounds sterling, and holds with it the abbey of Clugny,

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of which order he is general. It has a noble library, well stored with manuscripts; and amongst its archives are many original charters, deeds, &c. of William the Conqueror and several of his successors. This large and magnificent church is 376 feet long and 70 high; the transept, including the chapel of St. Thomas, or *The Precious Blood* \*, 120 feet long; the tower 200 feet high. Part of it was burnt 1460, but soon repaired. One of the monks began the screen about 1500, and built the chapel dedicated to the death of the Virgin, which is a master-piece, and adorned with an

\* Some of the earth, stained with our Saviour's blood, is preserved there, brought over by Nicodemus's nephew, and buried under a fig-tree, whence the name of *Fiscamp*, quasi *fici campus*,

historical

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historical carving. The cloister was built 1712. Cathedral service is performed in this church, in which are the tombs of duke Richard I. and II. repaired 1518; of Richard, infant son of the former, and of William, third son of the latter; Margaret, betrothed to Robert son of William the Conqueror, who died 1060; Alard III. earl of Bretagne, 1040; Abp. Ofmond, and a lady Judith \*.

Part of the antient nunnery church was retained on the rebuilding. William de Ros, third abbot, rebuilt all the upper part in a better taste, and enlarged the nave, which was not finished till 1200, and one of his successors at the beginning of the next

\* Descript. de Norm. tom. I. 89—98.  
century,

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century, compleated the chapels round  
the choir.

See Monast. Angl. tom. II. p. 949,  
10. 971, b.

Neustria Pia, p. 193.

At Cogges in Oxfordshire was an  
alien priory of Black Monks, belong-  
ing to this abbey. Tanner's Notitia,  
p. 418.

King Edward the Confessor gave  
to this abbey lands at Steyning in Suf-  
fx, which were taken away by earl  
Godwin, and restored by king William  
the Conqueror; and thereupon some  
Benedictine Monks sent from that  
foreign house made an alien priory here.  
Tanner's Notitia, p. 550.

Rotulus Normanniæ de anno  
5 Hen. V. Rex concessit Thomæ, epis-  
copo

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copo Dunelmensi, & aliis, omnes pof-  
fessiones, &c. quæ fuerunt Abbatiae de  
Fescampo in Normannia, in comitatu  
de Suffex & alibi infra regnum Angliæ.  
Vide membranam 8, dorso.

Patent. Normann. de anno 6 H. V.  
pars 2. m. 36. Rex suscepit in pro-  
tectionem viros religiosos Abbatiae de  
Fescamp, & homines ac poffeffiones  
fuas.

Ibid. m. 35. De custodia tempo-  
ralium Abbatiae de Fescamp commiffa  
priori & monachis ibidem.

Clauſ. 1 H. IV. p. 2. m. 19. Pro  
Abbathia de Fescamp de libertatibus  
allocandis.

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PAVILLY;

PAULIACUM.

## P A V I L L Y.

PAVILLY, a town situate in a valley four leagues from Rouen, has a priory dedicated to Saint Austreberta, who died abbess there, A. D. 704, and for whom the people in that neighbourhood have a high veneration. This priory was founded A. D. 664, by Amalbert, lord of the place, for nuns, who were driven out by the Normans, A. D. 1000; but being destroyed, was restored about the end of the ninth century, and given to Benedictine monks; but in 1713 it was united to the Carthusian priory at Rouen.

Neustria Pia, p. 326. Desc. de la Normandie, II. p. 267. 270.

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JUMIEGES.

DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

GEMETICUM.

GEMETICENSE. CÆNOBIUM.

JUMIEGES.

An ancient and famous Benedictine abbey in the town of Jumieges, situate on the river Seine, founded A. D. 664, by St. Philibert and king Clovis II. The annual income is 40,000 livres.

Monaſt. Angl. tom. II. p. 948. 64.  
977. a.

Neustria Pia, pag. 259.

At Hailing, in Hampshire, was a cell of Benedictine Monks belonging to this abbey. Tanner's Notitia, p. 159.

Rot. Normanniæ de anno 8 Hen. V.  
pars prima, m. 26, 25, & 24. De confirmatione antiquarum scripturarum pro abbatे & conventu de Gemeticis.

Patent.

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Patent. Normann. de anno 6 H. V.  
pars 2. m. 34. De salvis gardiis pro  
viris religiosis Abbatiae Sancti Petri  
de Gemeticis.

Rot. Normanin. de anno 6 H. V.  
pars 2. m. 13. De temporalibus res-  
titutis abbatii & conventui abbatiae Sti:  
Petri de Gemeticis.

This monastery was burnt by the  
Normans in 841 and 851. The church;  
dedicated to the Virgin, re-built 1040  
by abbat Robert II. archbishop of Can-  
terbury, is 265 feet long, by 63 wide;  
the choir being  $43\frac{1}{2}$  feet long, and 31  
wide; the Lady chapel 63 feet long  
by 27 and 40 high. The centre tower  
124 feet high, supported a beautiful  
spire covered with lead, but taken  
down 1573, to save the expence of  
repair.

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repair. The cloister, re-built 1530, is esteemed a fine building, though the sides are of unequal lengths. The guard-room of Charles VII. 102 feet by 33, is much admired, and is the only remains of the apartments where that great prince resided, between the dormitory and refectory. In the church are the tombs of two abbots, St. Hugh of Jumieges and Albert abbat of St. Menain and de Mici, Robert, monk of this house, afterwards bishop of London and archbishop of Canterbury, who died here 1051. In the Lady chapel is the heart and bowels of Agnes Sorel mistress of Charles VII. who died at Menil, a short league from this abbey. On a tomb of black marble, about three feet high, was her figure, praying and offering

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her heart to the Virgin, and at the feet of the tomb another heart of white marble; but there remains only the French epitaph, and a Latin one, made 1525, consisting of twenty-two lines, beginning

*Hic jacet in tumba, mitis simplexque columba.*

and ending,

*Bella fui quondam, Agnes nomine, regia pellex;*

*Nunc tumulo vermes turpe cadaver alit.*

and the sixth says;

*Ilia Gemeticis latitantur, cetera Lochis.*

The church of St. Peter here has been taken into the new cloister, 1040\*.

The library contains many valuable books and MSS.

\* Desc. de la Norm. II. p. 255. 260.

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S. SAENS.

DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

### S. SIDONIUS.

S. SAENS.

S. SAENS is a town on the river d'Arques, in the Pais de Caux, where is a Priory of Benedictine Monks, founded A. D. 670, by Sidonius monk of Jumieges. It was destroyed in the early Norman ages, and succeeded by a new foundation. Both these are now gone, and here is only a house of Cistercian Nuns, settled here by the empress Maud, 1167, whose yearly income is 8,000 livres.

See Neuftria Pia, p. 335.

Rot. Normann. de anno 6 H. V.  
pars 2. m. 27. De restitutione tem-

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porarium

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S. S A R N S.

porarium priorissæ & conventui Sancti  
Sidonii.

Hist. de Norm. I. 103.

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M O N T I V I L L A R E ,

M O N T I V I L L I E R S .

A famous Benedictine Nunnery, in the town of that name, six leagues from Fescamp, and two from Havre de Grace, first founded A.D. 682; by St. Filibert; but being destroyed, was rebuilt by the dukes of Normandy, about A. D. 1000 and 1030: This abbey enjoys several considerable privileges, hath an official, and the patronage of 17 churches, amongst others those of St. Paul at Rouen, Montivilliers, and Harfleur. Its annual income is about 20,000 livres.

Elizabeth,

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MONTIVILLIERS.

DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

Elizabeth, second abbess of the new foundation, is said to have rebuilt the church. The porch and tower are of the eleventh century at latest. Another abbess in 1518 repaired the roof, windows, and stalls. In the Hall of the *Buanderie*, or Laundry, is a large stone trough 150 feet square, and about three deep.

See *Neustria Pia*, p. 338.

Rot. Normann. de anno 6 H. V.  
pars 2. m. 27. De restituzione tem-  
poralium abbatissæ & conventui mo-  
nasterii Mar-Villaris prope Harfletum.  
(Montivilliers proche de Harfleur.)

Hist. de Norm. I. 106.

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B E C.

D I O C E S E   O F   R O U E M.

B E C C U M.

L E B E C , alias L E B E C H E L L O U I N ,  
or H E R L U I N .

A B B A T I A   D E   B E C C O .

A Benedictine Abbey, and one of the most famous in France, founded by the venerable Helluin A. D. 1034. The founder removed it soon after to a better spot; and it was again removed, 1060, by Lanfranc its prior, who, after he became archbishop of Canterbury, dedicated the new church 1077. It was rebuilt a fourth time 1118, and again 1214, which building was demolished by the fall of the great 1273. The sixth church was finished 1327; but in 1591 the nave fell down for want of repair, and has remained

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BECC in Normandy.  
Fleet Street, London.



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mained in ruins ever since. The choir is a beautiful building, 110 feet by 38. The altar and screen, of excellent workmanship, designed and executed 1685 and 1699, by William de Tremblay, a brother of this house. In the chapter house is a black marble tomb of Helluin adorned with figures. The empress Matilda was buried in the sanctuary 1167. Richard de St. Leger, bishop of Evreux, on the south side of the altar; and in 1719 they found his bones, an iron ring on his finger, and a wooden crozier. In the chapter-house and cloister are many tombs of the Lords Neubourg, great benefactors to this house, and of others. Helluin's chapel, near the abbey, was destroyed 1417, and the mass said for

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his soul was changed into that of the  
Trinity, 1706.

Its annual income is above 20,000 crowns. It presents to 160 churches; amongst others to those of St. John en Greve and St. Gervais at Paris, and to 30 other benefices, as well priories as chapels.

See Monast. Ang. tom. II. p. 949.

952.

Neustria Pia, p. 435.

Hist. de Norm. II. p. 277—282.

Chronicon Beccensis ab ipsa fundatione ad annum 1467. & vita S. Herluini fundatoris & primi abbatis Beccensis, & vita venerabilis Willelmi Beccensis tertii abbatis, & vita venerabilis Bosonis quarti abbatis Beccensis, & compendium vita  
venerabilis

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venerabilis Theobaldi quinti abbatis  
Becci postea arch. Cantuar. & vitæ  
Letardi sexti abbatis Beccensis com-  
pendium ; all printed at the end of  
Dacherii Opera Lanfranci archiepiscopi  
Cantuariensis, Paris, 1648. Fol.

The history of Bec abbey, by John  
Bourget, monk of the said abbey, 1779,  
8vo.

To this abbey belonged in England,  
the manor of Great Blakenham, or  
Blakenham super Aquas, in Suffolk.  
Tanner's Notitia, page 511. also the  
manor of Willesford, or Wivelsford,  
in Lincolnshire, where they had a  
cell. Ib. p. 268.

The church, and several lands at  
Goldcliff in Monmouthshire. Ib.  
p. 328;

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The manor of Lesingham in Norfolk. Ib. p. 342.

The manors and churches of Great and Little Okeburn in Wiltshire; at the former of which places a convent of Benedictine monks from that foreign monastery was not long after fixed, and became the chiefest and richest of its cells in England Ib. p. 599.

At Povington in Tineham, Dorsetshire, was an alien priory belonging to this abbey, sometimes reckoned as parcel of their cell at Okeburn. Ib. p. 108. Hutchins's Hist. of Dorset, I. 210.

The manor and church of Riselip in Middlesex being given by Ernulph de Heding or Hesding, temp. Will. Conq. or Will. Rufi, to this abbey, a cell

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cell of these foreign monks was sent over hither, who continued many years under a distinct prior. But in process of time this estate and priory was made parcel of, and subject to, Okeburn in Wiltshire. Tanner's *Notitia*, p. 298.

The manor of Wedon on the Street, or Wedon Bec, in Northamptonshire : but here was no cell belonging to this abbey, as said by Dugdale and Tanner, (p. 373.) for they had no other cell but that of Okeburn. Hist. Northampt. I. 93. But quære this last assertion.

At Steventon, near Abyngdon in Berkshire, was an alien priory of Black monks, cell to this abbey, to which it was given by king Henry I. Upon the seizure of these foreign houses, during

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REC.

during the wars with France, this manor, with the inappropriate rectory, and the advowson of the vicarage, were sold by the monastery of Bec, and afterwards bestowed by King Richard II. on the abbat and convent of Westminster. Tanner's *Notitia*, p. 15.

William Fitz Baldwin in the time of King Henry II. or before, gave to this abbey the church and lands of Cowike, near Exeter, in Devonshire, which thereupon became a cell of Benedictine monks to that foreign house. Ib. p. 92.

Some part of the town of Tooting, or Totingbeck, in Surrey, being given to this abbey, probably by Richard Fitz Gilbert, or Richard de Clare, a great Norman nobleman, temp. R.

Will,

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DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

Will. I. vel Will. Rufi, some Black monks of that house were fixed here; and this estate was sometimes accounted a distinct Alien Priory, and at other times only a manor belonging to Okeburn, the chief cell in England belonging to that foreign monastery. Tanner's *Notitia*, p. 537.

The manor of Hou, or Hoo, in Sussex, being given to this abbey by Henry earl of Eue, between 1096 and 1139, here was shortly after erected an alien priory of Benedictine monks, cell to that foreign house, though sometimes reckoned as parcel of its principal cell in England, Okeburn. Ib. p. 554.

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B E C.

Richard de Clare earl of Hertford, removed, A. D. 1124, the monks of Bec, whom his father had placed in the castle of Clare, to the village of Stoke, by Clare, in Suffolk, first into the parish church of St. Austin, and after to a church built by and for them, dedicated to St. John Baptist. This Alien Priory was in after-times made denison. Tanner's Notitia, p. 514.

St. Neots, in Huntingdonshire, was once a cell to this abbey.

For lands here, see Dr. Ducarell's Norman Antiquities, p. 87.

Lit. Patent. Normann. de anno, 6 H. V. pars 1. m. 26. De appunctuamento facto inter Comitem de Sa-  
rum,

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BEC.

DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

rum, Radulphum Cromwell, Joh. Heron, and Will. Bowes, Commis- farios Ducis Clarendicæ, & Priorem abbatiaæ & fortalitii de Bec Hellouyn, & Joh. du Foy locumtenenti super sursum redditione abbatiaæ & fortalitii prædicti in manus dicti ducis.

Rot. Lit. Patent. Normann. de anno 6 H. V. p. 1. m. 22. De custodia temporalium abbatiaæ de Becco-Helvini, commissa Priori ejusdem loci.

Rot. Normann. de anno 7 H. V. pars 1. m. 78. De salva gardia pro Abbatæ & Conventu B. M. de Bechellouin.

See Rot. Normann. de anno 8 H. V. pars 1. m. 24, 23, 22, & 21. De confirmatione cartarum pro monasterio B. M. Beccensis.

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DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

ST. VICTOR.

Cart. 18 E. I. n. 30. Pro Priore  
& Conventu Ecclesiæ S. Mariæ Bec.  
Monast. Angl. tom. I. p. 590.

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S. V I C T O R.

S T. V I C T O R EN CAUX.

COENOBIUM STI. VICTORIS DE CALETO.

A town in the País de Caux,  
where is a Benedictine abbey, founded  
A. D. 1048, as a priory, by a religious  
named Tormor, but in 1074 made an  
abbey by Sir Roger Mortimer.

Annual income 6,000 'livres, and  
the patronage of 16 churches, and  
two priories.

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ST. VICTOR.

DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

It was dissolved in 1742, and is now a sinecure, called in French a *Benefice Simple*, and has a succession of abbats, without any monks.

See Monast. Angl. tom. II. p. 950.

1002.

Neustria Pia, p. 545.

Descr. de Norm. I. 119.

At Clatford in Wiltshire was an Alien Priory cell to this abbey. This manor was in the tenure of Ralph son of Roger de Mortimer at the time of making Domesday Book; so that he or some of his descendants were donors probably of this estate to the above-mentioned foreign monastery, in the time of K. Henry II. or before. Tanner's Notitia, p. 603.

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PONTESIA.

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BISHOP'S OF ROUEN.

ST. MARTIN.

PONTESSIA.

PONTOISE.

PONTOISE is an antient town, with an abbey dedicated to St. Martin, founded A. D. 1069, by a lord of this town, and in the following century much encreased by the lords of Montmorency. This Abbey presents or nominates to six Priories and seventeen Churches.

See Neustria Pia, p. 550.

Defcr. de Norm. II. 183.

Here is likewise an English Benedictine Nunnery arising from Ghent, founded first at Bologne, 1653, chiefly by the liberality of Sir Richard Forster, descended from one of the most antient families in England, and trea-

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ST. MARTIN.

DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

furer general to Queen Henrietta Maria, mother of Charles II. His daughter Christina was the second abbess, and transferred the foundation hither 1658, where they obtained a settlement only on saying they came from the abbey of Grace Dieu, in Leicestershire, which name is on the gates of their house. Lord Charles Carrington, and John Digby, brother of the earl of Bristol, were benefactors. Their annual income amounted to 6 or 7,000 livres, a great part of which they expended in support of James II's wars in Ireland, and still continue their grateful supplies and assistance to their countrymen.

Desc. de Norm. Ib. p. 184—192.

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ULTERIOR

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DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

REPORT.

ULTERIOR PORTUS.

REPORT.

A Sea port near Eu, where is a Benedictine Abbey, dedicated to St. Michael, founded A. D. 1056, by Robert, earl of Eu, who was buried there 1090, with his wife Beatrix. This Abbey has the patronage of 23 Churches and six Priors.

The nave, built about 1240, was burnt about 1350, and never rebuilt, and the choir has no vaulted roof.

See Monast. Angl. tom. II. p. 950.  
Neustria Pia, p. 587.

Rot. Normann. de anno 6 H. V.  
pars 2. m. 13. De temporalibus restitu-  
tis Abbati & Conventui Monasterii  
Sancti Michaelis de Ulteriori Portu.

Desc. de Norm. II. 16.

LONGAVILLA.

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LONGUEVILLE.

DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

### LONGAVILLA.

### LONGUEVILLE.

A Priory of Clugniac monks, dedicated to St. Faith, in a town of its name, three leagues distant from Dieppe, founded A. D. 1084. by Walter Giffard, second earl of Longueville, buried there 1102, with his wife Agnes, and his son Gautier Giffard, third of the name. Their monument, with their effigies in stone, is still to be seen in the nave near the great door on the left hand as you enter. Its annual income is 12000 livres. The Prior is nominated by the Prior of la Charité sur Loire; and presents to the church of Longueville, and to twenty other churches.

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**DIOCESE OF ROUEN.**

**LONGUEVILLE.**

**See Neustria Pia, p. 666.**

**Desc. de Norm. II. 123.**

At Newinton-Longueville in Bucks  
was an Alien Priory of Cluniac Monks,  
belonging to this Abbey, to which this  
and several other churches and estates  
in England were given by Walter  
Giffard earl of Buckingham, temp.  
Hen. I. Tanner's Notitia, p. 25.

Rot. Normann. de anno 6 H. V.  
pars 2. m. 27. De restituzione tem-  
poralium Priori & Conventui de Lon-  
gueville.

**MARCHASIUM**

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MARCHEROUX.

DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

MARCHASIUM RADULFI.

MARCHEROUX.

An Abbey of Premonstratenfians, not far from Chaumont on the borders of Picardy, founded A.D. 1122, by Ulric or Raoul du Fay; dedicated to St. Nicholas. The church, which had been dedicated May 1, 1536, was entirely ruined 1615, and as the endowments of the founder had been lost, it was no easy matter to rebuild it.

See Neustria Pia, p. 710.

Desc. de Norm. II. 312.

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**DIOCESE OF ROUEN.**

**RESONS.**

**R E S S O N I U M .**

**R E S S O N S .**

An Abbey of Premonstratenfians founded A. D. 1150, in the forest of Telli in Le Vexin, by a Lord of Omont or Aumont, whose successors were buried in this church, which was rebuilt 1653.

See Neustria Pia, p. 713.

Desc. de Norm. II. 320.

**BELLUM**

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B E C C U M .

DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

B E L L U M B E C C U M .

B E L L O B E C C E N S E C O E N O B I U M .

B E A U B E C .

An abbey of Cistercians, in a village of the same name, in the forest of Brai, in the Pais de Caux, founded A. D. 1127, by Hugo de Gournai, who is said to be buried there. It was burnt 1383, and not rebuilt till the middle of the 15th century. Abbat William Martel rebuilt the abbat's house 1580. The steeple was not rebuilt till 1668; the west front 1730; the cloister, dormitory, and other lodgings of the monks, about 40 years ago. Thomas bishop of Bayeux gave his library to this abbey, and was buried here 1238; his tomb and figure remain.

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DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

BECCEUM.

remain in the choir. The heart and bowels of Mme de Vaudeton, abbess of St. Leger de Preaux, are buried in the north transept, and in the cloister a physician named Honfredus. The income 15000 livres per annum.

See in Mon. Angl. tom. II. p. 955.

Neustria Pia, p. 714.

Rotulus Norman. de anno 8 Hen. V.  
pars 3. m. 12. De confirmatione car-  
tarum pro abbatia de Belbec.

Rot. Normann. de anno 6 H. V.  
pars 2. m. 21. Rex suscepit in protec-  
tionem suam abbatem et conventum  
abbatiæ beatæ Mariæ de Beaubec.

Desc. de Norm. I. 153.

BIVAL.

## THE ALIEN PRIORIES. 43

BIVALL.

DIOCESE OF BOURG.

BIVALLIUM.

BIVALL.

An abbey of nuns of the Cistercian order, two leagues above Neufchâtel, founded between the years 1128 and 1167, subject to Beaubec till 1175. It was entirely ruined in the wars of the 15th century, and has hardly recovered itself. Annual income 6000 livres.

See Neustria Pia, p. 919.

Desc. de Norm. I. 159.

FULCARDI

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· · · D I O C E S E O F R O U E N .

F O U C A R M O N T .

F U L C A R D I M O N S .

F O U C A R M O N T .

A Cistercian abbey in a town of that name, founded A. D. 1150, by Henry I. earl of Eu; who, with his son John, both monks of this house, are buried here. It was destroyed three times, and the present church was built 1628. Annual income 12000 livres.

See Monast. Angl. tom. II. 976.

Neustria Pia, p. 744.

Rot. Normann. de anno 6 H. V.  
pars 2. m. 22. De restituzione tem-  
poralium abbatii et conventui abbatiae  
Beatae Mariæ Fulcardi Montis.

Desc. de Norm. I. 154.

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MORTEMER.

DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

M O R T U U M M A R E.

M O R T E M E R E N L I O N S.

A Cistercian abbey situate in the Forest of Lions, founded A. D. 1135, by Robert de Chandos constable of Normandy t. Henry I. dedicated to the Virgin Mary. The empress Matilda, mother of Henry II. began the church, a plain and spacious structure, continued by her son, and finished, with the chapter-house and cloyster, by Froger, archdeacon of Derby, and afterwards bishop of Seez in Normandy. In the chapel behind the high altar on the wall are the portraits, both in military and religious habits, of three brothers of the family of Bec Crepin, who figured in the civil wars, and were

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DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

MORTUARY.

were great benefactors to this house, which after their death fell into such decay, that, notwithstanding repeated arrêts of parliament for the repairs, the roof of the choir fell in, 1680, and is only ceiled at present, but the rest of the house is tolerably well repaired. Here are tombs of Froger beforementioned, and Robert Poulain archbishop of Rouen. Geoffry de Magnavile earl of Aumale and Essex, governor of Normandy, was buried in the chapter-house, 1189. Annual income 20000 livres.

See Neustria Pia, p. 768.

Pat. Normann. de anno 6 H. V.  
pars 2. m. 34. De salva gardia pro  
religiosis viris abbatiae de Mortuimaris.

Rot.

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DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

MORTEMER.

Rot. Normann. de anno 6 H. V.  
pars 2. m. 20. De salvis gardiis pro  
Roberto de Croisy, et abbatet et conven-  
tu Beatæ Mariæ de Mortemer.

Rot. Normann. de anno 7 H. V.  
p. 1. m. 53. Rex suscepit in protec-  
tionem suam abbatem et conventum  
Beatæ Mariæ de Mortemer.

Rot. Normana. de anno 7 H. V.  
p. 1. m. 33. De salva gardia pro ab-  
bate et conventu abbatiae Beatæ Mariæ  
de Mortemer.

Desc. de Norm. II. 314.

FONS

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BISHOPRIC OF ROUEN.

FONTAINE.

FONS GERARDI.

FONTAINE GUERARD.

An abbey of Cistercian nuns near Pont S. Pierre, three or four leagues S.E. of Rouen, founded A.D. 1135 by Amaury earl of Meulan, or by Robert earl of Guerre and Leicester about 1198. Annual income 7000 livres, and the patronage of several benefices.

See Neustria Pia, p. 784.

Rot. Lit. Patent. Normann. de anno 6 H. V. pars 1. m. 19. Rex suscepit in protectionem suam abbatissam et conventum de Fontaines-Guerat.

Desc. de Norm. II. 329.

SALICOSA.

## THE ALIEN PRIORIES. 49

SAUSSEUSE.

DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

### SALICOSA. SAUSSEUSE.

A Priory of regular canons of St. Austin, in Le Vexin, founded by Richard de Tilli, before A. D. 1155. The annual income is 6,000 livres, and the French king nominates the prior.

Only the nave of the original church remains: the choir was rebuilt about the end of the 14th century.

See *Neustria Pia*, p. 846.

Rot. Normann. de anno 7 H. V.  
pars 1. m. 69: Rex concessit priori et  
conventui Beatæ Mariæ de Sauceuse  
omnia temporalia sua.

Desc. de Norm. II. 310.

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VALACIA.

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DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

VALACIA

V A L A C I A.

L A   V A L A S S E.

A Cistercian abbey, in the Pais de Caux, founded A. D. 1157, by Valeran II. earl of Meulant. Annual income 30,000 livres.

See Neustria Pia, p. 848.

Rot. Normann. de anno 6 H. V.  
pars 2. m. 34. De restituzione temporalium abbatij et conventu abbatiz  
B. M. de la Valasse.

Desc. de Norm. I. 157.

GERARDI

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GRAVILLE.

DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

GERARDI VILLA.

G R A V I L L A.

G R A V I L L E.

A Priory of regular canons of the order of St. Austin, in a town of that name situated between Harfleur and Havre de Grace, founded A. D. 1260, by William Malet, Lord of the Manor of Graville, who was buried here, with several of his family.

See Neustria Pia, p. 861.

Desc. de Norm. I. 69.

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DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

VALEMONT.

V A L L I S   M O N S.

V A L E M O N T.

A Benedictine abbey in a town of that name in the Pais de Caux; founded A. D. 1169, by Nicolas d'Etoueville its lord. Annual income 16,000 livres, and the patronage of fourteen churches and two priories.

It was burnt 1671, and the church soon after destroyed by lightning, except the choir, which was built before the end of the xvith century, by abbot John Ribaud, on the plan of that of Bec, and is surrounded by chapels, but very ill kept up. The tombs of its founder, several of his family, and several abbats, are still to be seen among many others.

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VALMONT.

DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

At Stratfield-say in Berkshire was an alien priory belonging to this abbey.  
Tanner's Notitia, p. 27.

See Neustria-Pia, p. 869.

Rot. Normann. de anno 6 H. V.  
pars 2. m. 26. De restituione tem-  
poralium priori et conventui monas-  
terii Beatae Mariæ de Valido Monte.

Desc. de Norm. I. 160.

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DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

L I S L E - D I E U.

I N S U L A   D E I .

L I S L E - D I E U .

A Premonstratensian abbey on the river Andelle, in Le Vexin, founded A. D. 1187, by Reginald de Pavilly, a gentleman of the province\*. Its annual income is between 4 and 5000 livres, and the patronage of eleven churches.

See Neustria Pia, p. 884.

Descr. de Norm. II. 328.

At Charleton, near Uphaven in Wiltshire, was an Alien Priory, cell to this Abbey; whose founder hav-

\* This alien priory has been often confounded (as in Mon. Angl. I. 968. Kennet's Par. Ant. 82.) with another of the same name, cell to St. Ebrulf at Utica. Tanner's Not. 604. note \*.

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LISLE-DIEU.

DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

ing great possessions in that county, might probably give lands here toward the better support of his new foundation. Tanner's *Notitia*, p. 604.

Rot. Normann. de anno 7 H. V.  
pars 1. m. 81. De salva gardia pro  
abbatia de Insula Dei.

Rot. Normann. de anno 7 H. V.  
pars 1. m. 71. De temporalibus reſ-  
titutis abbatiae beatæ Mariæ de Insula  
Dei.

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BISHOP'S ESTATE OF ROUEN.

LIEU DIEU.

LOCUS DEI.

LIEU DIEU.

A Cistercian Abbey on the river Brele, in the Pais de Caux, two leagues from Eu, but belonging to that of Amiens, founded A. D. 1198. by Bernard de S. Valeri. It was a cell to that of Foucarmont.

See Neustria Pia, p. 893.

Desc. de Norm. I. 155.

BELLOSANA.

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BELLOSANE.

DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

B E L L O S A N A .

B E L L O S A N E .

An abbey of Premonstratensians, in the Puis de Caux, founded A. D. 1498, by Hugo de Gournai. Its income about 5000 livres.

It was raised from its ruins 1732, by P. Henry Blavette, its prior, who rebuilt it completely, repaired the church, and the farms.

There is a village of the same name near it.

Francis Vatable, James Amiot, and Pierre Ronfard, three learned men of the 16th century, held this abbey successively in commendam.

See Neustria Pia, p. 891.

Rot. Normann. de anno 6 H. V.  
pars 2. m. 26. De restituzione temporalium abbati et conventui monasterii de Bellosana.

Desc. de Norm. I. 165.

THESAURUS.

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DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

THE SAURUS.

THE SAURUS.

LE THRESOR.

An abbey of Cistercian nuns, in Le Vexin, founded A. D. 1228, by Raoul de Bu. Annual income 8000 livres.

See Neustria Pia, p. 914.

Rot. Normann. de anno 7 H. V.  
pars 1. m. 80. De salva gardia pro  
abbatiffa et conventu beatæ Mariæ de  
Trefor.

Ibid. m. 78. De temporalibus con-  
ventui beatæ Mariæ de Trefor resti-  
tuendis.

Desc. de Norm. II. 335.

BELLUS

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BEAULIEU.

DIocese OF ROUEN.

BELLUS LOCUS.

BEAULIEU.

A priory of canons regular of the order of St. Austin near Rouen, in Le Vexin, founded A.D. 1200, by John lord of Preaux, or de Pratellis, who was buried in the Chapter-house, under a blue stone, with a sword cut on it: several of his family lie in the chapel of St. Austrebert. The king names the prior, who presents to eight benefices.

This abbey was so ruined by the Huguenots, and by being afterwards held in commendam, that nothing was attempted towards repairing it till 1718, and the whole is not yet compleated.

See Neustria Pia, p. 916.

Desc. de Norm. II. 332.

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BISHOP OF ROUEN.

BEAULIEU.

The manor of Burne, or Patricksbourn, in Kent, was given about A.D. 1200, by John de Pratellis to his new erected priory of Beaulieu in Normandy; and here were placed some Austin canons, as a cell to that foreign monastery, who had leave to alienate it to the priory of Merton in Surrey, Hen. IV. Tanner's Notitia, p. 219.

Rot. Normann. de anno 17 H. V.  
pars 1. m. 71. De temporalibus ref-  
titutis priori et conventui ecclesiae  
beatæ Mariæ de Bello-loco.

# THE ABBEY PRIORIES. 62

GOMER FONTAINE.

DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

FONS GOMERICI.

GOMER FONTAINE.

An abbey of Cistercian nuns, founded A.D. 1202, by Hugh de Chaumont. Annual income 15000 livres.

In the church, near the choir, is a marble monument of three knights, and a lady miscalled a countess of Boulogne; but more probably belonging to some of the founder's family, or some lords of the house of Trie.

See Neustria Pia, p. 902.

Desc. de Norm. II. 334.

Rot.

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DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

GOMME FONTAINE

Rot. Normann. de anno 7 Hen. V.  
p. i. m. ii. De temporalibus restitutis  
abbatiae de Gomme-Fontaine.

DIOCESE

## DIOCESE OF EVREUX.

S. TAURINUS.

S. TAURIN.

A Benedictine abbey in the city of Evreux, founded A. D. 690, and, according to the Monasticon, partly restored or renewed by Richard II. duke of Normandy.

Annual revenue 20000 livres.

The famous duke de Sully was abbat here, though a Calvinist.

See Monast. Ang. tom. II. p. 949.

66.

Neustria Pia, p. 360.

Nouv. Desc. de la France, IX. 71, 72.

The priory of Astley, or Eftleye, in Worcestershire, was subordinate to this abbey. Tanner's Notitia, p. 623.

At

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DIOCESE OF EVREUX.

S. TAURIN.

At Llangenith, in Glamorganshire, is said to have been a priory annexed to this abbey. Tanner's Notitia, p. 714.

See Rot. Lit. Patent. Normann. de anno 6 H. V. pars 1. m. 22. De custodia temporalium Sti. Taurini d'Evreux commissa priori et conventui ibidem.

Rot. Normann. de anno 7 H. V. pars 1. m. 41. De salvis gardiis pro priore et conventu S. Taurini d'Evreux.

Ibid. m. 40. De custodia temporalium monasterii Sti. Taurini d'Evreux commissa priori et conventui ibidem.

CRUX

## THE ALIEN PRIORIES. 65

LA CROIX.

DIOCESE OF EVREUX.

CRUX S. LEUFRIDI.

LA CROIX ST. LEUFRAY.

This is a Benedictine abbey, so called from its situation in the parish of St. Leufroy, near the river Eure, said to be founded by that saint, A. D. 690, in memory of a miraculous cross which appeared to St. Ouen on his first preaching the gospel in these parts.

Annual income 15000 livres, and the patronage of several churches.

See Neustria Pia, p. 346.

De la Force, Nouv. Desc. de la France, ix. 72.

Rot. Pat. Normann. de anno  
6 H. V. pars 1. m. 4. De licentia  
eligendi abbatem de Saint-lieu-Froy  
de la Croix.

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Rot.

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D I O C E S E   O F   E V R E U X .

L A   C H O I X .

Rot. Normann. de anno 6 H. V.  
pars 2. m. 22. De restituzione tem-  
poralium abbatii et conventui abbatiae  
de Cruce Sancti Leuffredi.

Ibid. m. 21. Rex suscepit in protec-  
tionem suam abbatem et conventum  
abbatiae de Cruce Sancti Leuffredi.

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L Y R A .

L I R E .

LIRENSE COENOBIUM.

A Benedictine abbey in a town of  
the same name, on the river Rille;  
founded A. D. 1045, by William Fitz  
Osberne. Thomas Becket archbishop  
of Canterbury resided here for some  
time. Its annual income is 20000  
livres,

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LYRA.

DIOCESE OF EVREUX.

livres, with a right of presenting to  
30 livings.

See Monast. Angl. tom. II. p. 950.  
15. 985. a.

Neustria Pia, p. 534.

Rot. Calesiæ de anno 34 Edw. III.  
p. 2. m. 5. De protectione pro abba-  
tia de Lyra. Dat. apud Caleys, 10 Oc-  
tobris.

Rot. Lit. Pat. Normann. anno  
6 H. V. p. 1. m. 18. De tempora-  
libus restitutis abbatiae beatæ Mariæ de  
Lira in dioceſi Ebroicensi.

Ibid. De falvo conductu præ abba-  
te de Lira veniendo ad regem pro fide-  
litate sua facienda.

Rot. Normann. de anno 6 H. V.  
pars 2. m. 27. De restitutione tem-  
poralium abbati et conventui beatæ  
Mariæ de Lira.

This abbey was possessed of six churches; among the rest, that of Carebrooke, and some manors and lands in the isle of Wight. Tanner's Not. Mon. p. 159.

See Domesday, Hanteschire.

A grant or release from the abbey of Lyra to the abbey of Quarere in the Isle of Wight of tithes there in Arreton, Haseley, Luvecumb, Tidlingham, and Scaldecumb. Madox Form. Nccccxcvii.

At Hinckley in Leicestershire was an alien priory of two Benedictine monks belonging to this abbey. Tanner's Notitia, p. 241.

The manor of Ocley, or Lyre Ocle, in Herefordshire, belonged to this abbey. Ib. p. 175.

At

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LYRA.

DIOCESE OF EVREUX.

At Llangywan in Monmouthshire was a cell of black monks, subordinate to it. Ib. p. 330.

After the Conquest, one or more of the churches in the town of Wareham in Dorsetshire, with some lands in the neighbourhood, being given by Robert Bellamont earl of Leicester, temp. Hen. I. to the abbat and convent of Lira in Normandy, they sent over and settled here a cell of their own Benedictine monks; which was dedicated to the Virgin Mary. Ib. p. 102.

Henry II. by charter sans date, confirms to this abbey the churches of Wareham, and one hide of land in Waram of the gift of William de Warmuta, and one ounce of gold in præpositura de Warham. Dugd.

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DIOCESE OF EUREUX.

LYRA.

Mon. II. 906. inter addit. ex reg'ro  
ab. de Lyra, Hutchins's Dorset, I.  
p. 20.

They had also the churches of St.  
Martin, St. Michael, St. Peter, and  
St. Mary here. Hutchins, Ib. p. 29—  
38.

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I B R O E Y A.

Y V R Y.

I B R E I E N S E   C O E N O B I U M .

A Benedictine abbey in a town of  
that name, near the river Eure, found-  
ed by Roger de Yvry, A. D. 1077,  
or 1085. Annual income 9000 livres.

See Monast. Angl. tom. II. p. 951. 18.  
Neustria Pia, p. 670.

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VVRY.

DIOCESE OF EUREUX

The parish church of Docking in Norfolk was given by Goel de Ibrey, ancestor of the Lovels, to this abbey, who established a cell here. Tanner's Notitia Mon. p. 358. Blomf. Norf. V. 1308.

The churches of Southmere and Titchwell, in the same county, belonged to this house, by the gift of the same benefactors. Blomf. Ib. p. 1309. 1330.

The church of Minster Lovel, in Oxfordshire, being given to this abbey, became an alien priory of Benedictine monks, cell to it. Ib. p. 429. The ruins of the conventional church and gateway remain just by the parish

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**DIOCESE OF EVREUX.**

**TWENTY.**

church. The offices are converted into outhouses for a farm-house. The mansion-house on its scite belonged 1729 to lord Leicester baron Lovel. Buck engraved a N. view of it, 1729. Grose a NE. 1775.

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**VALLIS S. MARIE.**

**LA VALLEE.**

A Cistercian abbey, founded A. D.  
by Guiard earl of Longueville.

See Neustria Pia, p. 785.

**BROLIUM**

**THE ALIEN PRIORIES.** 75

**LE BREUIL.**

**DIOCESE OF EVEREUX.**

**BROLIUM BENEDICTI.**

**LE BREUIL BENOIST.**

A Cistercian abbey on the river Eure; founded by Faucon and his son William, lords of Marfilly, A. D. 1137. The abbot's income was 2000 crowns per annum.

See *Neustria Pia*, p. 786.

**N O A.**

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DIOCESE OF EVREUX.

LA NOUVE

N O A.

L A N O U E.

A Cistercian abbey founded A. D.  
1144, by the empress Maud. Annual  
income 6000 livres.

See Monast. Angl. tom. II. p. 992. b.  
Neustria Pia, p. 803.

Rot. Normann. de anno 7 H. V.  
pars 1. m. 24. De temporalibus resti-  
tutis abbatiæ beatæ Mariæ de la Nove  
juxta Everos (Evreux).

S T R A T A.

THE ALIEN PRIORIES. 75

B'ESTREE.

DIOCESE OF EVREUX.

S T R A T A.

L'E S T R E E.

A Cistercian abbey upon the river Avre, founded A. D. 1114. Its income, which was between 7 and 8000 livres, has been annexed to the bishopric of Quebec in Canada.

See Neustria Pia, p. 804.

B O N U S

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B I O C H E   O F   E U R E W X .

B O N P O R T .

B O N U S   P O R T U S .

B O N P O R T .

A Cistercian abbey, near Pont de larche, founded by king Richard the First, 1190, anno regni 9. Its annual income 20000 livres.

See Mon. Angl. tom. II. p. 1007. a.  
Neustria Pia, p. 894.

Rot. Lit. Patent. Normann. de  
anno 6 H. V. pars 1. m. 21. De salva  
gardia pro priore et conventu de Bon-  
port.

Rot. Normann. de anno 7 H. V.  
pars 1. m. 81. De temporalibus re-  
stitutis monasterio beatæ Mariæ de Bon-  
port.

C O N -

## THE ALIEN PRIORIES. 77

CONCHES.

DIOCESE OF EVREUX.

C O N C H O E .

C O N C H E S .

A town where is a Benedictine abbey of the congregation of St. Maur, founded A. D. 1050. dedicated to St. Peter, by Raoul II. of the name, lord of Toesny [Todeni] and Conches, great standard-bearer of Normandy. Annual income 16000 livres, and the patronage of three churches in this town, and several other livings.

See Monast. Angl. tom. II. p. 950. 4.

Neustria Pia, p. 567.

Ralph de Todeni \*, alias Stafford, son to Roger de Todeni, standard-bearer

\* Ralph de Todeni came into England with William the Conqueror, and was his standard-bearer in the famous battle of Hastings. He gave Caldicote and Alwinton, two of his lordships in Worcestershire, to the monks of Utica in Normandy.

bearer of Normandy gave (not long after the Conquest) the church of St. Peter, with some lands in the town of Wotton Waven, alias Walwaynes, in Warwickshire, to the abbey of Castellion, or Conches, in Normandy, founded by his said father, which were confirmed to them by Nicolas de Stafford his son, temp. Hen. I. and Robert de Stafford his grand-son, temp. Hen. II. And hereupon a cell of Benedictine monks from that foreign monastery was sent over hither, and continued here till the seizure of the alien priories temp. Ed. III. See Tanner's *Notitia*, p. 572.

dy. Ralph his son (who died 9 kal. April, 1102) was buried in the abbey of Conches. Roger (the grandson of Ralph) was, like his ancestors, a great benefactor to this abbey. See Dr. Nash's *Worcestershire*, vol. I. p. 1.

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CONCHES.

DIOCESE OF EVREUX.

The church was given to this monastery by Robert de Stadford, shortly after the Conquest, and appropriated to it by Roger bishop of Worcester, 3 non. Nov. A. D. 1178. Dugd. Warwickshire, 2d edit. p. 571.

Ralph Tony the elder, having given, 1 Will. Rufi, the manor and church of Lena, Monekeslen, Monkenlane, or Munkland, in Herefordshire, to the abbey of St. Peter, at Castellione, or Conches, in Normandy, it became a cell of Benedictine monks to that foreign house. Tanner's Notitia, p. 173.

At Horsham, St. Faith's, in the county of Norfolk, was a priory of black monks dedicated to St. Faith the Virgin and Martyr, by Robert Fitz Walter and Sibill de Cayneto his wife, A. D. 1105. It was at first a cell

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DIOCESE OF EVREUX.

CONCHES.

cell to the abbey of Conches in Normandy; but, 16 Ric. II. was made denizon. Ib. p. 343. Blomf. Norf. V. 1359.

Rot. Normann. de anno 6 H. V.  
pars 2. m. 26. De restitutione temporalium abbatii et conventui Sanctorum Petri et Pauli Conches.

DIOCESE

## DIOCESE OF LISIEUX.

## S. EBRULFUS, oī UTICUM.

S T. E V R A U,

A famous Benedictine abbey in a town called St. Evrau; first founded by St. Ebrulfus, A. D. 575; which being destroyed, it was restored by William Gerouis and his nephews Hugh and Robert de Grandmesnil.

Hugh de Grentemaisnil, before the year 1081, gave to this abbey the church of Charleton upon Otmoore in Oxfordshire, and five yard-lands; and his daughter Adeline de Ibreio, temp. Hen. I. gave them the manor

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ST. EVRAL.

of Ceorlotona; so that if there was in England an alien priory of Charlton, cell to St. Ebrulf, it was here; but it does not appear that any of their monks were placed at this Charlton, for their estate here seems to have been under the management of their prior at Ware, in Hertfordshire, which was a cell belonging to this abbey. Tanner's Not. Mon. p. 187.

They had possessions at Ravelle in Gloucestershire. *Domesday*.

Annual income 30000 livres; and the patronage of a great many churches.

See *Neustria Pia*, p. 84.

*Rot. Franciae de anno 36 Edw. III.*  
m. 12. De protectione pro abbatte et  
conventu de Sancto Ebrulpho. Data  
apud

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ST. EVRAU.

DIOCESE OF LISIEUX.

apud Westminster 10 Aprilis. Tanner's Notitia, p. 419.

De attemptatis reformandis contra pacem pro eodem abbatе. Data ut supra.

Rot. Lit. Patent. de anno 6 H. V.  
pars 1. m. 39. Pro abbatia Sancti Ebrulphi, de restitutione temporalium.

Pat. Normann. de anno 6 H. V.  
pars 2. m. 35. Rex concessit abbati et conventui abbatiae Sancti Ebrulphi, in comitatu d'Orbec, omnia temporalia infra ducatum Normanniæ.

Rot. Normann. de anno 6 H. V.  
pars 2. m. 22. De salva gardia pro abbatе et conventu Sancti Ebrulphi in comitatu d'Orbec.

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B I O C E S E   O F   L I S I E U X .

B E R N A Y .

B E R N A Y U M .

B E R N A Y .

Bernay is a town on the river Ca-rentone, where is a Benedictine abbey founded A.D. 1013, by Judith dutchess of Normandy, wife of Richard the second duke of Normandy, whose annual income is above 20,000 livres.

See Monast. Angl. tom. II. p. 949,  
50.

Neustria Pia, p. 398.

They had possessions at Neubote<sup>\*</sup>, Baiebroc, Clenedone, and Ristone, in Northamptonshire. Domesday.

\* Q. one of the *Newbottles*; but see Bridges, Northamptonshire, I. p. 187. 478.

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BERNAY.

DIOCESE OF LISIEUX.

The manor of Everdon in Northamptonshire was given to this abbey before A. D. 1217. Tanner's *Notitia*, p. 385. and they had the rectory till the reign of Henry V. Bridges's *Northamptonshire*, I. 58.

Here was a priory, cell to Bernay, and the remains of it, which bear many marks of antiquity, are still to be seen in the lordship-house, which belongs to Eton-college. In a close adjoining are the appearance and hollows of ponds. *Ibid.*

At Eye in Suffolk was a priory of Benedictine monks, founded temp. Will. Conq. by Robert Malet, and dedicated to St. Peter. It was at first

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B E R N A Y .

a cell to the abbey of Bernay in Normandy, but by king Richard II. was made denison; and so it continued till the suppression. Tanner's Notitia, p. 510.

Rot. Litt. Patent. Normann. de anno  
6 H. V. pars 1. m. 24. Pro priore de  
Bernay, de restituzione temporalium.

G R E .

## THE ALIEN PRIORIES. ¶

GRESTEIN.

DIOCESE OF LIZIEUR.

### G R E S T A N U M.

### G R E S T E I N.

### G R E S T E I N E N S E C O E N O B I U M.

A Benedictine Abbey near the mouth of the river Seine, founded A.D. 1140, by Herluin de Couteville.

Annual income about 8000 livres.

See Monast. Angl. tom. II. p. 950.

32. 982. a.

Röt. Normann. de anno 7 H. V.  
pars 1. m. 46. De temporalibus res-  
titutis abbatii et conventui monasterii  
de Grestain.

Neustria Pia, p. 528.

This abbey was possessed of the manor of Peritine in Hampshire. Domesday.

88 . . . . . **SOME ACCOUNT OF****DIOCESE OF LISIEUX.****CRESTEIN.**

Robert earl of Moreton, temp. Will. Rufi, bestowed the manor of Wilmington in Sussex on this abbey, to which it became an alien priory, Tanner's *Notitia*, p. 554.

There are four contiguous parishes of the name of Creting in the county of Suffolk; viz. St. Mary, St. Olave's, All Saints, and St. Peter's; and at the two first seem to have been two distinct alien priories of the Benedictine order. The manor of Gratinges, which was that of St. Olave, was given by Robert earl of Morton, temp. Will. Conq. to the abbey of Grefstein in Normandy, and was taken care of by some monks belonging thereunto, or by their agent the prior of Wilmynngton

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OBESTEIN.

BISHOP OF LISIEUX.

myngton their chief cell in England. King Edward III. granted this to Tydeman de Lymber, a merchant, and afterward the abbat and convent sold it by the king's license to Sir Edmund de la Pole. Tanner's *Notitia*, p. 511.

The parish of Creting St. Mary's, in Suffolk, which was most usually styled the priory of Creting, was cell to this abbey, and after the suppression of these foreign houses was by king Henry VI. made part of the endowment of Eton College. Tanner's *Notitia*, p. 511.

PRATELLUM.

90      **SOME ACCOUNT OF**

DIOCESE OF LISIUM.

PRAEUL

**P R A T E L L U M.**

**P R E A U X.**

In this town there are two Benedictine abbies ; one for monks, the other for nuns : founded about A. D. 1040, by Hanfridus de Vetulis, father of Roger de Bellomont, and Albreda his wife.

The abbey of monks presents to 30 benefices, and enjoys an annual income of about 20000 livres.

See Monast. Angl. tom. II. p. 950.

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Neustria Pia, p. 520.

Rot. Normann. de anno 6 H. V.  
pars 2. m. 41. Rex suscepit in protectionem

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PREAUX.

DIOCESE OF LISIEUX.

tectionem suam abbatissam et conven-  
tum Sancti Leodegarii de Pratellis.

Rot. Normann. de anno 6 H. V.  
pars 2. m. 27. de restitutione tem-  
poralium abbati et conventui Sti. Petri  
de Pratellis. Ibid. De restitutione tem-  
poralium abbatisse et conventui Sancti  
Leodegarii de Pratellis.

This abbey had lands at Watting-  
ton, Oxfordshire. Domesday.

Robert earl of Mellent and Leicester,  
temp. Hen. I. gave the manor of Spec-  
tesbury in Dorsetshire to the monks  
of St. Peter and St. Paul, de Pratellis  
or Preaux, in Normandy, who placed  
here some of their convent, and made  
it an alien priory. Their lands here  
were valued, 1293, at £. 12. and the

prior of Preaux presented to the rectory till the time of Edward III. On the suppression of alien houses, 2 H.V. it was given to the Carthusian monastery of Witham, c. Somerset, with which it went after the dissolution; but, in after-times it was reckoned as part of their cell at Monks Tofte in Norfolk. Tanner's Notitia, p. 106. Hutchins's Dorset, II. 189, 190.

Monk's Tofte, or Tofte's Monachorum, was an alien priory to the above-mentioned abbey, to which this manor and the church of St. Margaret here were given by Robert earl of Mellent, temp. Hen. I. Tanner's Notitia, p. 345.

Roger de Bellomonte, father to Robert earl of Leicester and Mellent, gave

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DIOCESE OF LISSEUX.

gave the village of Stowre Pratellis, or Priaulx, vulgo Provost, in the deanry of Shaftesbury in Dorsetshire, temp. Will. Conq. to the nunnery of St. Leodegar, or St. Leger de Pratellis, or Preaux in Normandy; whereupon it became a cell to that foreign monastery, which presented to the rectory till its suppression, 2 H. V. when it was granted to Eton College, to which it now belongs. Tanner's Notitia, p. 106. Hutchins's Dorset, II. 489.

At Warmington in Warwickshire was an alien priory of Benedictine monks from this abbey; to which this manor, with the church, were given by Henry Newburgh earl of Warwick,

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DIOCESE OF LISIEUX.

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wick, brother of the earl of Mel-  
lent, temp. Hen. I. It was in after-  
times accounted sometimes a distinct  
religious house; at other times as par-  
cel of the priory of Tofte in Norfolk,  
belonging to this monastery. At the  
suppression, 2 H. V. this too became  
the property of Witham, c. Somerset,  
and afterwards private property. Tan-  
ner's *Notitia*, p. 571.      Dugdale's  
*Warwickshire*, p. 535.

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CORMELIA.

DIOCESE OF LISIEUX.

C O R M E L I A .

C O R M E I L L E .

ABBATIA DE CORMELIIS.

A Benedictine abbey in the town of that name, founded A. D. 1060, by William earl of Breteuil. Annual income 2000 livres.

See Monast. Angl. p. 950. 17. 962. a. where it is said to be founded by William son of Osbern, fewer of Normandy.

See Neustria Pia, p. 595.

See Guido bishop of Lisieux his Inspeximus, of an ample charter of king Henry II. by which that king confirms to this abbey all their lands, churches, chapels, tithes, and possessions,

fions, in England, enumerating the same. Dat. A. D. 1281. Printed in Madox's *Formulare*, N° XVI.

A grant from the abbey of Cormeilis to the abbey of Bordesley, of tithe and land in Holewia, sans date. Ib. N° DXX.

Rot. Normann. de anno 6 H. V.  
pars 2. m. 26. de restituzione tem-  
poralium abbatii et conventui beatæ  
Mariæ de Cormeilles.

This abbey had possessions at Tametdeberu in Worcestershire, at Chingestune in Herefordshire, and at Noent in Gloucestershire. See *Domesday*.

King William the Conqueror, at the instance of Roger of Montgomery, gave the manor of Noent, Newent, or Newenton, in Gloucestershire, to the

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CORMELIA.

DIOCESE OF LISIEUX.

the abbat and convent of Cormeille in Normandy, who thereupon sent over a prior and some Benedictine monks, and it became a cell to that foreign monastery. Tanner's *Notitia*, p. 145.

At Stoguil, Strigule, or Chepstow, in Monmouthshire, was an alien priory of Benedictine monks, cell to this abbey, as early as king Stephen's reign. *Ibid.* p. 330.

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DIOCESE OF LISIENX.

MONDAY.

Rot. Patent. Normann. de anno  
6 H. V. pars 1. m. 18. dorso. Les  
lettres de l'attourne ottrayes a l'abbe  
et convent de Scint Martin de Mon-  
daye.

DIOCESE





*West Front*

*Leez in Normandy.*

## DIOCESE OF SEEZ.

ALMANISCHÆ.

ALMENESCHES.

**A**t Almeneschæ \* is an abbey of nuns of the order of St. Benedict, founded by two holy women, Opportuna and Nantilda, about the year 700; which having been destroyed in the Norman wars, A. D. 776, or 770, was refounded by Roger de Montgomery, II. A. D. 1060.

See Monasticon, vol. I. 601. 607.

II. Cœnobia Gallicana, p. 950. 62.

III. 200.

Neustria Pia, p. 364.

\* Its name is composed of *Alma* and *monacha*, a solitary virgin.

At Levenestre in Sussex was an alien priory of Benedictine nuns, cell to this abbey, which was founded by Roger de Montgomery earl of Arundel, temp. Will. Conq. Hence it is probable, that that earl, or one of his sons, gave the church of Levenestre, and other lands hereabouts, to that foreign monastery, which might give occasion for fixing a convent of those nuns at Levenestre, before the year 1178. After the wars with France, Richard earl of Arundel, & R. II. treated with the abbefs of Almeneschches concerning the purchase of some lands belonging to this alien priory, but the whole seems to have been settled on Eton College, by Henry VI. Tanner's Notitia, p. 559.

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ALMENESCHES.

DIOCESE OF SEEZ.

Rot. Lit. Pat. Normann. de anno  
6 H. V. m. 36. Pro abbatissa monas-  
terii beatæ Mariæ Damnenesches dè  
restitutione temporalium.

Breve pro restitutione terrarum pri-  
orissæ 31 E. III. post firmatam pacem  
cum Francigenis. Prynne's Papal  
Usurpat. III. 1021.

Clauf. 1 E. III. Rymer Fœd. IV.  
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BIOCESE OF SEEZ.

LONLAY.

L O N L E I U M.

L O N L E I C E N S E   C O E N O B I U M.

L O N L A Y.

A Benedictine abbey in a town of that name, in this diocese, but belonging to that of Mons, founded A. D. 1026, by William Talvast earl of Bellesme.

See Monast. Angl. tom. II. p. 989.b.

Neustria Pia, p. 423.

Rot. Normann. de anno 8 Hen. V.  
pars 1. m. 7. De confirmatione car-  
tarum pro abbatе de Lonlay.

Rot. Patent. Normann. de anno  
6 H. V. p. 1. m. 18. In dorso, les  
Religieux, abbe et convent de Lon-  
ley,

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LONLAY.

DIOCESE OF SHERB.

ley, ouint lettres de procuration felonc,  
la custume de Normandie.

The church of St. Andrew at Stoke Curcy (corruptly Stoke Gursey) in Somersetshire, and several other lands and tithes thereabouts, being given to this abbey, temp. Hen. II. a prior and convent of Benedictine monks were sent from thence to settle as a cell to that foreign house, and continued so, though but in a poor condition, till the suppression of alien priories, when it was given by H. VI. to Eton College. It was valued at £. 58. Tanner's *Notitia*, p. 469.

After the Conquest, Nigel de Mune-well was Lord of Folkstone in Kent; and about A. D. 1095 gave the church of St. Mary and St. Eanswide there to

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BIOCESE OF SEIZZ.

LONLEY.

the abbat and convent of Lonley in Normandy, whereupon some Benedictine monks from thence were placed there first in the castle, and afterward in a building nearer the church. It was afterwards made denizon, and valued at £. 4*s.* 15*s.* 10*d.* 1*b.*  
p. 206.

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ST. PIERRE SUR DIVE.

BISHOP OF SENS.

D I V A.

ST. PIERRE SUR DIVE.

Dive is a market town where there is a Benedictine abbey, founded by William earl of Eu and Lescelina his wife, A. D. 1040.

Annual income 12000 livres.

See Monast. Angl. tom. II. p. 950. 3.  
Neustria Pia, p. 496.

At Modbury in Devonshire was a cell of Benedictine monks to this abbey, as early as king Stephen's time. Yearly value £. 70. Henry VI gave it to Eton College; and it now belongs to King's College, Cambridge. Tanner's Notitia, p. 92.

Some lands, with the church and tithes of Wolfricheston, or Wolston, in the county of Warwick, are said to have been given to the abbey of St.

Peter

Peter super Divam, in Normandy, by  
Roger de Montgomery, or some other  
benefactor, shortly after the Conquest,  
whereupon some black monks from  
that monastery were placed there.  
Tanner's Notitia, p. 571. Dugd.  
Warw. 2d ed. p. 30. & seq.

At Tutbury, in Staffordshire, was a Benedictine priory dedicated to the blessed virgin, founded by Henry de Ferrers, about A. D. 1080. cell to the abbey of St. Peter super Divam in Normandy, afterwards made denizon, and valued at £. 199. 14 s. 10 d. per ann Tanner's Notitia, p. 493. Buck engraved the ruins of this priory 1731.

Rot. Liter. Patent. Normann. de  
anno 6 Hen. V. pars i. m. 34. de tem-  
poralibus restitutis monasterio Sancti  
Petri Surdyve Sagiensis diocefis.

## SAGIUM.

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S. MARTIN.

BISHOP OF SEEZ.

S A G I U M.

S. MARTIN DE SEEZ.

A Benedictine abbey dedicated to St. Martin in the city of Seez, founded A.D. 1050, by Roger de Montgomery II. and Mabel his wife. Annual income 30000 livres.

See Monast. Angl. tom. II. p. 950.

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Neustria Pia, p. 577.

Rot. Patent. Norman. de anno 6 H. V. pars 1. m. 36. In dorso, de non molestando abbatem de Seez.

Atherington, in Suflex, was a cell to this abbey. Tanner's Notitia, p. 563.

At Wengale in Lincolnshire was an alien priory, dedicated to St. John, cell

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BISHOP'S OF SEEZ.

S. MARTIN.

cell to this abbey, to which it belonged in the beginning of the reign of Henry III. It was given by H. VI. to Eton college, afterwards became part of the endowment of Trinity college, Cambridge, and was exchanged, 1606, with Sir Thomas Mounson. Tanner's Notitia, p. 279.

Earl Roger of Poictiers gave, A.D. 1094, the church of St. Mary in Lancaster, with some other lands, to this abbey; whereupon a prior and five Benedictine monks from thence were placed here, who, with three priests, two clerks, and servants, made up a small monastery, subordinate to that foreign house, and endowed with the yearly revenue of about £. 80.  
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annext by H. V. to Sion college. Mon.  
Angl. I. 566. Tanner's Notitia, p. 229.

Roger de Montgomery earl of Arun-  
del and Shrewsbury, and Adelais his  
wife, A. D. 1083, built at Shrews-  
bury, in the east suburb beyond the  
river, an abbey for the Benedictine  
monks from Sagium or Seez, in Nor-  
mandy, to the honour of St. Peter and  
St. Paul. It was valued at £. 534.  
4s. 10d. per ann. Tanner's Notitia,  
p. 445. The scite now belongs to  
— Powis, esq. Buck engraved an  
E. view of this abbey church, 1731.

The abbat and convent of Sagium,  
or Seez, in Normandy, had the pa-  
tronage of the church of Dudelebyri,  
or Didlesbury in Shropshire. Ib. p. 453:  
Madox Form. Ang. p. 6.

In the suburbs of Pembroke was a Benedictine priory, cell to this abbey, founded by Arnulph earl of Pembroke, 1098, val. £. 57. 9*s.* 3*d.* Mon. Engl. l. 5*6*9. Tanner, ib. p. 719.

See a confirmation by the pope's delegates of a composition between the monks of Sees and the rector of Auringueton, concerning the tithes of Auringueton and Orewell.<sup>t</sup> Madox Formulare, N° XLIV.

A partition of woods held by Emilger de Bohun and the abbey of Sees in common. Oath (or engagement) given by Emilger, and by the proxy of the abbey, for the due observation of this accord. Ibid. N° cXLVII.

The abbat of Sees being amerced  
to the king in a suit against the prior  
*+ in Cambridgeshire* of

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C. MARTIN.

DIOCESE OF SHER.

of Mendham, the prior, undertakes to acquit the abbat against the king, of the said amerciament, by a deed, dat. Lond. primo E. 2. Ibid. N° DCXXXVIII.

A release from Peter de Hull of all charters and muniments which he had from the abbey of Sees and priory of Lancaster, for certain lands at Hull, with the oath of the releasor and others. Sans date. Ibid. N° DC LXXI.

It is very probable that Roger de Montgomery, founder of this abbey, Robert de Belesme, or some other of his sons, gave to this monastery the church of St. Nicholas at Arundel in Sussex, wherein was very early a cell of four or five black monks, subject to this monastery. On the seizure of

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the alien priories into the king's hands, temp. E. III. Richard earl of Arundel obtained leave of the king, with the consent of the abbey of Seez, to make this priory collegiate. It was valued at £.168. 0s. 7d. clear, and granted to Henry earl of Arundel. Tanner's *Notitia*, p. 556.

See *Rot. Normann.* de anno 5 H. V. memb. 9. de temporalibus concessis abbatii et conventui monasterii Sancti Martini de Seez. See *Rot. Liter. Patent. Normann.* de anno 6 Hen. V. pars 1. m. 31. De temporalibus restitutis abbatiae S. Martini de Sagio.

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VIGNATS.

DIOCESE OF SENS.

VINACIUM.

VIGNATS.

A priory of Benedictine nuns, a league and an half from Falaise; founded A. D. 1130, by the earl of Bellesme; turned into an abbey A.D. 1626, by the means of a prioress who was of the house of Medavy de Grancey.

Annual income 6 or 7000 livres.

See Neustria Pia, p. 750.

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TRAPPA.

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DIOCESSE OF PREV.

LA TRAPPE.

T R A P P A.

L A T . R A . P P E.

A Cistercian abbey, founded A. D. 1140, by Rotrou earl of Perche, famous for the great strictness and austerity of the monks, which began so lately as 1663.

Annual income 8000 livres.

See Neustria-Pia, p. 789.

Rot. Lit. Pateht. de anno 6 Hen. V.  
pars 1. m. 39. De custodia temporaliuum abbatiae beatae Mariæ de la  
Trappe concessa religiosis viris ibidem.

Description de l'abbaye de la  
Trappe, par M. Felibien. Par. 1671.  
12°.

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SILLY.

DIOCESE OF SHERBROOK.

### S Y L L E I U M.

#### S I L L Y.

An abbey of Premonstratensians ; founded by Drogo of Anjou, an officer of the empress Maud, A. D. 1150. It presents to 14 benefices ; and its annual income is about 5000 marks.

See Neustria Pia, p. 830.

Rot. Lit. Patent. Normanniae de anno 6 Hen. V. pars 1. m. 25. de temporalibus restitutis abbatiæ de Silly.

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**DIOCESE OF SEEZ.**

**VALLIS DEI.**

**VALLIS DEI.**

**L E   V A L   D I E U.**

A Carthusian abbey near the forest  
of Reno; founded A. D. 1180. by  
Rotrou earl of Perche.

See Neustria Pia, p. 874.

Rot. Lit. Pat. Normann. de anno  
6 H. V. pars 1. m. 21. Pro priore et  
conventu prioratus beatæ Mariæ de  
valle Dei, ordinis Cartusiani, Sagiensis  
diocesis, de restitutione temporalium.

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GOFFERS.

DIOCESE OF SEZ.

### G O F F E R N U M.

### G O F F E R S E N F O R E S T.

Goffers is a Cistertian abbey, situated in a small forest of that name, of about two leagues in circumference near Argentan : founded A. D. 1130.

See Neustria Pia, p. 737.

Rot. Normann. de anno 8 H. V.  
pars i. m. 13. De confirmatione car-  
tarum pro monasterio de Gouffer.

## DIOCESE OF BAYEUX.

C E R A S I U M .

C E R I S Y L ' A B B A I E .

CERESIENSE COENOBIUM S. VIGORIS.

A Benedictine abbey; founded A.D. 590, by St. Vigor, bishop of Bayeux, which being destroyed, was restored by Robert the First, duke of Normandy, A.D. 1030. Annual income 20000 livres.

See Monast. Angl. tom. II. p. 949.

15. 9 8. b.

Neustria Pia, p. 429.

At West-Shirburne in Hampshire was an alien priory of Benedictine monks, which was a cell to this abbey. Tanner's Notitia, p. 160.

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CERASTUM.

DIOCESE OF BAYEUX.

Rot. Patent. Normann. de anno  
6 H. V. pars 1. m. 12. De custodia  
temporalium abbatiae Sti. Vigoris de  
Cerify commissa viris religiosis abbatiae  
prædictæ.

Rot. Patent. Normann. de anno  
6 H. V. pars 1. m. 18. dorso ; les  
Religieux de St. Vigor de Cerify ouent  
lettres de procuration felonc la custume  
de Normandie.

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**DIOCESE OF BAYEUX.**

**FONTANETUM.**

**FONTEINAY.**

A Benedictine abbey a league and an half from Caen, founded by St. Evremond, A. D. 570. Annual income near 10000 livres.

Ecclesiam S. Stephani Fontaneti Radulfus Taifson, et Ernefus frater ejus construxerunt. Gematicens. de Gestis Normann. lib. VII. cap. 22.

See Monast. Angl. tom. II. p. 950.

**64. 973. b.**

Neustria Pia, p. 79.

Rot. Normann. de anno 5 Hen. V. m. 10. dorso. Rex concessit abb. de Fontenay omnia temporalia sua.

At Brimsfield, or Bromfeud, in Gloucestershire was an alien priory of Benedictine monks, which was a cell to this abbey. Tanner's Notitia, p. 148.

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TROUARY.

DIOCESE OF BAYEUX.

T R O A R N U M.

T R O U A R N.

A town so called, situated on the river Dive, where there is a Benedictine abbey, dedicated to St. Martin; founded A. D. 1050, by Roger II. de Montgomery, earl of Shrewsbury, whose annual income is 20000 livres.

See Monast. Angl. tom. II. 950.

47. 1002. a.

Neuftria Pia, p. 558.

Rot. Normann. de anno 6 H. V.  
pars 2. m. 25. De custodia temporaliū monasterii Sti. Martini de Trouarne commissa priori et religiosis viris dicti monasterii.

Rot. Normann. de anno 7 H. V.  
pars 1. m. 6. de temporalibus restitutis priori et conventui monasterii Sancti Martini de Troarn.

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DIOCESE OF BAYEUX.

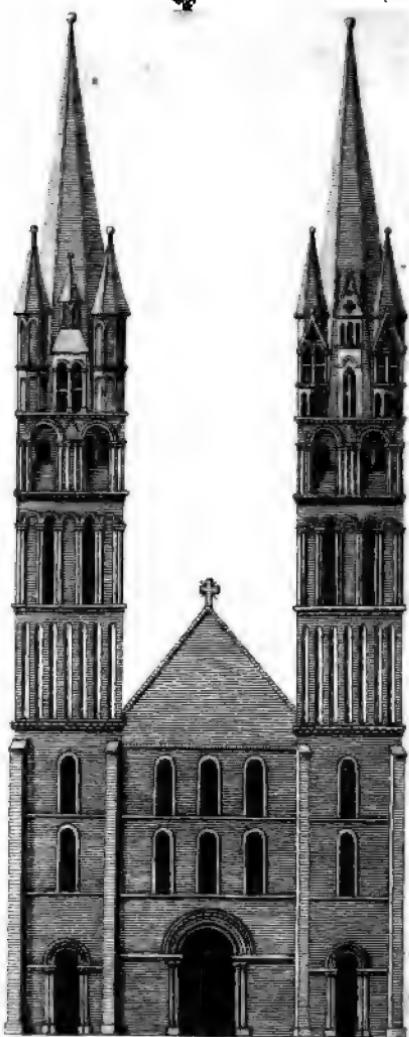
TROAARN.

The founder, temp. Will. Conq. endowed his new foundation with the manor of Horkeslegh, or Horsley, in Gloucestershire, and there were settled a prior and monks dependent on the foreign monastery, till the prior and convent of Bruton in Somersetshire gave some lands they had in France to the abbat and convent of Troarn, in exchange for this and other estates in England, and then Horsley became a cell to Bruton. Tanner's *Notitia*, p. 145.

For other lands at Horselei see Domesday, and Dr. Ducarel's Anglo-Norman Antiquities, p. 82.

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*West Front of the Abbey Church of St. Stephen, at  
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CAEN.

DIOCESE OF BAYEUX.

### C A D A M U S.

### C A E N.

Caen is the capital of Lower Normandy, on the river Orne, three leagues from the sea. In this city are two famous Benedictine abbeys; one for monks; the other for nuns.

### THE ABBEY OF ST. STEPHEN.

Founded A. D. 1064, and two years before the Conquest, by William duke of Normandy, who was buried there, 1093.

Its annual income is 60000 livres, and it has the patronage of 12 churches.

For the foundation charter see Dacherii, B. Lanfranci Cantuar. archiepisc. et Angliae primatis ordinis S. Benedicti

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Benedicti opera. Paris, 1648, fol. page 20. This is much curtailed in the Monast. Angl. tom. II. p. 956. See also, p. 949.

Chronicon S. Stephani Cadomensis, ab A. D. 633. ad A. D. 1293, in Duchesne's Script. Normann. p. 1015.

See Neustria Pia, p. 624. Carta fundationis Sti. Stephani Cadom. Will. Conq. p. 626. Carta confirmationis Hen. II. p. 628. Carta permutationis et concessionis Gulielmi Rufi Reg. Ang. & Ducis Normanniæ, p. 638. Exemptiones & privilegia a sede apostolica collata huic abbatiae, & ab archiep. Rothomagensi & episcopo Bayocensi confirmata, p. 640. Gesta D. Lanfranci, monachi ac prioris Becci, deinde primi abbatis Cadomensis, postea archiep.

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GARN.

BISHOP OF BAYREUTH.

archiep. Cantuariensis, p. 646. Cata-  
logus abbatum sequentium, p. 650.

Besides the immense benefactions which William in his life-time conferred on this abbey, he on his death presented thereto the crown which he used to wear at all high festivals, together with his sceptre and rod, a cup set with precious stones, his candlesticks of gold, and all other his regalia; as also the ivory bugle-horn which usually hung at his back. These were afterwards redeemed by his son William, who, in exchange for the same, granted to the monks the manor of Coker, in Somersetshire; and at the same time confirmed the possessions, privileges, and exemptions, which had been granted to them by  
his

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DIOCESE OF BAYEUX.

CAEN.

his father. See Dr. Ducarel's Anglo-Norman Antiquities, p. 51.

This house possessed lands at Bin-tomb, and the manor of Framton, in Dorset, and presented to both churches: the latter place was a cell to this abbey. Hutchins, I. 337. 349. Tan. Not. Mon. p. 106.

It had also lands at Northam in Devonshire. Also the church of Cruche, and some lands there, c. Somerset. Domesday.

Cosham church in Wiltshire was given to the abbey of St. Stephen, at Caen, by William the Conqueror. Tanner's Notitia, p. 602.

The manor of Paunsfield or Pantfield, in Essex, being given to the abbey of St. Stephen, at Caen, by Wal-

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CAEN.

DIOCESE OF BAYEUX.

Waleran Fitz Ranulph, 4 Will. Conq.  
it became an alien priory of Benedictine monks. Tanner's Notitia,  
p. 120. Morant, vol. II. p. 405.

The manor of Welles, or Well-hall, in Geyton, in the county of Norfolk, being given to the abbey of St. Stephen at Caen, by William de Streis, Escois, Estois, or Scoheis (temp. Will. Conq.) here was fixed an alien priory of Benedictine monks from that house. Tanner, p. 336.  
Blomef. Norf. IV. p. 537.

Rot. Norm. 5 H. V. m. 25. Pardon  
natio concessa monachis abbatiae Sancti  
Stephani de Cadomo.

Ibid. m. 7. Pro capellani Sti. Ste-  
phani de Cadomo.

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Rot. Liter. Patent. Norman. de  
anno 6 H. V. pars 1. m. 31. De  
temporalibus restitutis abbatiae Sti.  
Stephani de Cadomo.

THE ABBEY OF THE HOLY TRINITY  
founded, at the same time, by  
Matilda wife of William, for Benedic-  
tine nuns, where her monument \* re-  
mains at this day.

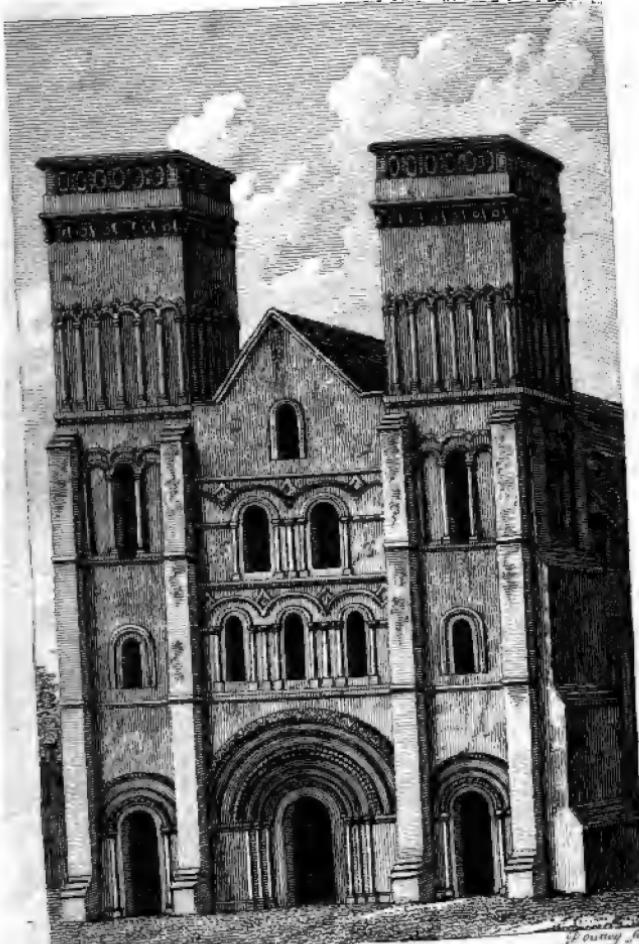
Its annual income is 30000 livres.  
Cecily, the Conqueror's eldest  
daughter, was abbess here.

Charters of Henry I. and Edward II.  
to this abbey. See Monast. Ang.  
tom. II. p. 958.

See Neustria Pia, p. 656. Charta  
fundationis abbatiae S. S. Trinitatis  
Cadomensis, p. 658.

\* Engraved in Dr. Ducarel's Norman Antiqui-  
ties, Pl. VI. p. 63.

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*West Front of the Abbey Church of the Holy Trinity, at  
Caen, in Normandy —*

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Rot. Norm. de anno 5 H. V. m. 25.  
De protectione pro monialibus Sanctæ  
Trinitatis de Cadomo.

Ibid. m. 10. Dorso Rex concessit  
religiosis mulieribus monasterii Sanctæ  
Trinitatis de Cadomo omnia tempo-  
ralia sua.

Rotulus de valore terrarum Nor-  
mannorum de anno sexto regis Jo-  
hannis. Frompton, terra abbatis de  
Cadomo. Tarente, terra abbatissæ de  
Cadomo.

The Ecclesia Monialium had lands  
at Peneberic and Hautone in Glouce-  
stershire. Domesday.

Claus. E. III. p. 2. m. 17. De  
fidelitate abbatissæ Sanctæ Trinitatis  
in Cadomo. T. R. apud Eborum

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CAEN.

3 Junii: printed in Rymer's *Fœdera*, IV. p. 291. They possessed lands at Tarente in Dorsetshire, at Umberlei, Sudmolton, and Brantone, in Devonshire. See *Domesday*.

The manor and advowson of the church of Horstede, in Norfolk, belonged to the abbess and nuns of the Holy Trinity at Caen, by the grant of king William Rufus. *Tanner's Notitia*, p. 338. *Blomef. V.* 1362.

Minchin Hampton in Gloucestershire was so called, says Tanner, because the manor was given to the nuns, or minchins, of the Holy Trinity at Caen, by king William the Conqueror. *Tanner's Notitia*, p. 150.

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CAEN,

DIOCESE OF BAYEUX.

Rot. Norm. de an. 5 H. V. m. 22.  
De quarreris albæ petræ in suburbio  
villæ de Caen annexandis dominio regis  
pro reparatione ecclesiarum, castrorum,  
et fortallitorum, tam in Anglia quam  
in Normannia.

Rot. Normanniæ de anno 9 H. V.  
m. 31. dorso. De arestando naves pro  
transporatione lapidum & petrarum  
pro constructione abbatiae Sancti Petri  
de Westminster a partibus Cadomi.

## A R D E N A.

ARDENE.

An abbey of Premonstratensians near Caen ; founded by a Lord Hermanville, A. D. 1122. Its income about 10000 livres per annum.

See *Neustria Pia*, p. 702.

Rot. Cartarum et Chirographarum  
Normanniae de anno 2 R. Johannis  
m. 3. De confirmando molendinum  
apud Cad. in Gaimara concessum per  
Regem Ricardum abbatii & canonicis  
abbatiæ Sanctæ Mariæ de Ardena,

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LE PLESSIS.

BISHOPSHIP OF BAYEUX.

PLESSEIUM GRIMOLDI.

LE PLESSIS GRIMOULT.

A priory of Regular Canons in a town of that name; founded A. D. 1130. Its annual income about 10000 livres.

See Neustria Pia, p. 742.

Rot. Normann. de anno 6 H. V.  
pars 2. m. 22. De temporalibus re-  
stitutis priori & conventui prioratus  
Sancti Stephani de Plessleyo-Grymondy  
(du Plessis-Grimoult).

## A L N E T U M ,

A U N A Y .

## A B B A T I A D E A L N E T O .

A Cistercian abbey founded A. D. 1131, by Richard de Humet constable of Normandy. Its annual income is 12000 livres.

See Monasticon, II. p. 1006. b.

Neustria Pia; p. 758.

The celebrated Huet, bishop of Avranches, was a considerable time abbot here,

Richard de Humet constable of Normandy, temp. Hen. II, gave the church of Limbergh Magna in Lincolnshire to this abbey, to which that of Limbergh Magna became an alien priory, till it was sold by those foreign monks

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AUNAY.

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monks to the Carthusians of St. Anne near Coventry, 16 Ric. II. Tanner's Notitia, p. 276.

Bertram de Verdun, A. D. 1176, gave to the Cistercian monks of this abbey a piece of ground at Chotes, or Chotene, in Staffordshire, whereon to build an abbey of that order, which was in three years removed to Crokesden, or Croxden; in the same county. Tanner's Notitia, p. 498.

Dr. Rawlinson engraved its foundation charter, dated 1179, from the original, in his possession; and Buck a N. E. view of its ruins, 1731.

VALLIS

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VAL-RICHER.

VALLIS RICHERI.

LE VAL-RICHER.

A Cistertian abbey near Cambremer, in this diocese, though surrounded by that of Lisieux, founded A. D. 1147. by Philip de Harcourt, bishop of Bayeux. Annual income 8000 livres.

See Neuftria Pia, p. 825.

Rot. Patent. Normann. de anno  
7 H. V. p. 2. m. 14. De temporalibus restitutis abbatiae beatæ Mariæ de Valrich.

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LONGUES.

DIOCESE OF BAYEUX.

L O N G E N S E.

L O N G U E S.

A Benedictine Abbey near the sea-side ; founded A. D. 1165, by Henry earl of Beaufort. Annual income 4000 livr<sup>es</sup>.

See Neustria Pia, p. 865.

Rot. Patent. Normann. de anno 6 H. V. pars i. m. 12. De custodia temporalium abbatiae Mariæ de Longues commissâ viris religiosis abbatiae prædictæ.

Rot. Normann. de anno 7 H. V. pars i. m. 46. De restituzione temporalium pro abbe et conventu beatæ Mariæ de Longis (Longues) prope Bayeux.

V A L-

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DIOCESE OF BAYEUX.

LE VAL.

VALLENSE.

LE VAL.

An abbey of Regular Canons of  
St. Austin, near Falaise, founded A.D.  
1155, by Goffelin de la Pommeraye.

See Neustria Pia, p. 841.

The advowson of Tregony, in the  
deanry of Powder, in Cornwall; as  
belonging to this abbey, is mentioned,  
fin. div. com. 52 H. III. n. 18. Tan-  
ner's Notitia, p. 71.

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BARBERY.

DIOCESE OF BAYEUX.

B A R B E R I U M.

B A R B E R Y.

A Cistercian abbey, founded by Robert Marmion, A. D. 1181. Its annual income about 12000 liyres.

See Neustria Pia, p. 881.

Rot. Normann. de anno 5 Hen. V.  
memb. 10. dorso. Rex concessit abb.  
B. Marie de Barbery omnia temporalia  
fua.

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C O R D I L L O N .

C O U R D I L L U M .

C O R D I L L O N .

An abbey of Benedictine nuns;  
founded A. D. 1200, whose annual  
income is 5000 livres.

See Neustria Pia, p. 919.

Rotulus Normanniæ de anno 5 Hen.  
V. m. 26. Libertates confirmatæ ab-  
batissæ S'ci Laurentii de Cordillon in  
ducatu Normanniæ.

D E L L A

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BELLE ESTOILLE.

DIOCESE OF BAYEUX.

B E L L A S T E L L A.

B E L L E E S T O I L L E.

An abbey of Premonstratensians ; founded A. D. 1215. Its annual income about 5000 livres.

See *Neustria Pia*, p. 910.

*Rotulus Literarum Patentium Normanniæ de anno 6 H. V. pars 1. em. 39. Pro abbatia beatæ Mariæ de Bell estoille, de restituzione temporalium.*

TORIG-

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BISHOP'S OF BAYREUTH.

TORIGNY.

T OR I G N E I U M.

T O R I G N Y.

Torigny is a town where there is a Cistercian abbey and priory of Cistercian nuns, founded about 1307, by Robert LeFevre, archdeacon of Ayranches.

Neustria Pia, p. 914.

MONS



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*View of Mount St. Michael, in Normandy:*

*Published as Act directed, March 6, 1779, by J. Nichols, Red Lyon Court, Fleet Street.*

## DIOCESE OF AVRANCHES.

M O N S A N C T I M I C H A E L I S.

M O N T S T M I C H E L.

A Benedictine abbey famous throughout Europe for the great devotion of the people to St. Michael the Archangel, the magnificence of the abbey, and the romanticness\* of its situation, on a steep rock, called Tumba, 300 feet high, on a sandy shore, covered with the sea twice every day; distant a league and an half from Terra Firma, between the mouths of two small rivers, and in the centre of a bay formed by the coasts of Britanny and Normandy. At this place is a small

\* See the Plate.

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town,

town, called St. Michael *in periculo maris* \*, because of the great danger of getting to it, which is only at low water. The tradition is, that St. Michael appeared to St. Aubert bishop of Avranches, about the year 708, and ordered him to build a church upon this rock; which he did, and placed therein twelve secular canons, whose successors becoming remiss, were turned out by Richard the First duke of Normandy, who placed in their stead, A. D. 966, thirty monks of the order of St. Benedict, who have ever since been in possession of this abbey. The present annual income is about 40000 livres, but it was formerly

\* Sometimes *ad duas tumbas* the point of land being divided into two rocks, on the lowermost of which was a castle razed 1699.

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MONT S. MICHEL.

DIOCESE OF AVRANCHES.

much greater. Its fine church was begun A. D. 1024. by Richard the Second, Duke of Normandy, and abbat Hildebert. Here is a large library; and a great many relics are preserved in the treasury, and often visited by pilgrims from France and other countries, who have resorted to it for a great many years.

See Monast. Angl. tom. II. p. 949.

Neustria Pia, 371.

This abbey in situation very much resembles its namesake on St. Michael's Mount in Cornwall, which was annexed to it by Robert earl of Moreton and Cornwall, before 1085, and is the most intire religious house now standing in that county. It was re-

nowned for its sanctity before the Conquest. A Priory of Benedictine monks was placed here by Edward the Confessor. Earl Robert placed here Cistercian monks of the Gilbertine order, by whose rules nuns were admitted to live with them ; and accordingly here were two societies a little detached from each other. It was made denizon temp. E. III. H. VI. gave it to King's College, Cambridge. Edw. IV. annexed it to Sion abbey. It was valued at £. 110. 12s. The Cornish mount was made a gafrison from the time of Richard I; and 5 H. IV, is called *Fortalitium* \*. It was fitted

\* The Norman mount was also fortified, and was well defended against the English, 1423. The abbat

fitted up by the late Sir John St. Aubyne, for a house. See Tanner's Notitia, p.68. Borlase's Antiquities of Cornwall, 2d edit. p. 366. where is a view of it ; two others N. and E. by Buck,

1734.

William the Conqueror gave the manor of Otterington, or Otterton, in Devonshire to this abbey, whereupon it became an alien priory of Black Monks subject to it. Tanner's Notitia, p. 90.

Sidmouth in Devonshire was a manor given to this abbey by the same king. Ib. p. 89.

abbot is governor of the castle. It serves as a state prison. All travellers who visit this mount are disarmed. Q. If it was not lately blown up by accident.

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BIOCESE OF AVRANCHES.

MONT S. MICHEL.

St. Clement, Valia, and Leik, in  
the Isle of Guernsey, were cells to  
this abbey.

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SAVANIECENSE COENOBIUM.

S A V I N I A C.

S A V I G N Y.

A Cistercian abbey; at first a her-  
mitage, where Saint Vitalis liyed;  
afterwards, A. D. 1112, Raoul de  
Fougeres and John de Landere founded  
an abbey, which was united to the  
Cistercian order, A. D. 1148.

Annual income 34000 livres.

See Monast. Angl. II. p. 997. b.

Neustria Pia, p. 676.

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SAVIGNY.

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There was a priory of Cistertian monks at Long Benyngton in Lincolnshire, which was subordinate to this abbey. Tanner's *Notitia*, p. 280.

Rot. Liter. Patent. Normann. de anno 6 H. V. pars 1. m. 33. De temporalibus restitutis abbatiae beatae Mariæ de Savigny.

At Feild-dallyng in Norfolk, Maud de Harfcolye, temp. Hen. II. gave a manor to the abbat and convent of Savigny in Normandy; whereupon there came over hither some Cistertian monks of that house, to which this is sometimes mentioned as a cell or priory of itself, and sometimes as parcel of Long Benington in Lincolnshire. On the dissolution of Alien Priories it was given to Epworth

L 4                      Priory,

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Priory, and to Spittle on the Street hospital, c. Linc. to the Carthusians near Coventry, and last to Mount-grace Priory, Yorkshire. Tanner's Notitia, p. 352. Blomef. Norf. V. 795.

Roger bishop of Chester (the same see with that which is now called Coventry and Litchfield) built at Bildewas, or Buldewas, in Shropshire, an abbey for monks of the order of Savigny (united afterwards to the Cistercians) to the honour of St. Mary and St. Chadd. Tanner's Notitia, p. 449. Views of its ruins, by Buck, 1731; by Grose, 1772.

The monastery of Furnes in Lancashire belonged to this abbey. Tanner, Ib. p. 230. West's Hist. of Furnes,

SAVIGNY.

DIOCESE OF AVRANCHES.

1774, 4to. A view of it by Buck, 1727.  
Another by the Society of Antiquaries  
when more intire. A third by Hearne  
and Byrne, 1778.

William de Filgeriis gave (in frank almoigne) to the monks of Savigny a yearly rent of two marks in silver from his manor of Benington for a pittance for the convent on the morrow of All Saints for ever. Dat. apud Beninton 27 Maii, A. D. 1201. Madox Form. N° ccccxxxii. A confirmation by Clemencia his daughter to the monks of Savigny, of all their lands and possessions in Benington and Forton. A grant to them of other lands; and a release to them of a yearly rent in frank almoigne, Ibid. N° ccccxxxvii.

A char-

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SAVIGNY.

A charter of protection of Richard I.  
granted to the abbey of Savigny.  
T. R. apud Chinon xi die Martii. Ib.  
N° DXV.

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L U C E R N A.

L A L U Z E R N E.

An abbey of Premonstratenfians;  
founded A. D. 1143, by Aſtulphus  
de Subligny, Lord of Gripon, whose  
brother, bishop of Avranches, dedi-  
cated the church 1145, and has a mo-  
nument in it.

Annual income between 4 and 5000  
livres.

See Neuftria Pia, p. 793.

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LUCERNA.

DIOCESE OF AVRANCHES.

Rot. Normann. de anno 7 H. V.  
pars 1. m. 69. Rex concessit abbatii  
et conventui abbatiae Sanctae Trinita-  
tis de la Luserne omnia temporalia  
sua.

A grant in fee, or perpetual emphy-  
teufis\*, of land in the parish of War-  
neford, made by the monks of Lu-  
cerne to John de Torvilla, knight,  
paying a yearly rent; if the rent be  
in arrear, the messenger sent by the  
monks to fetch it to be paid by the  
*emphyteutique possessor* his expences  
for so long as he stays in England for  
the rent. Dat. apud Lucernam, A.D.  
1306. Madox Form. N° CCCCLXXIV.

\*. *Emphyteufis, precaria possessio.* Du Cange.

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MORTAIN.

M O R E T O N I U M.

M O R T A I N.

This small town, situated among rocks, was formerly an earldom, and gave title of earl to some of the relations of the old dukes of Normandy ; and since to the families of Blois, Bologne, Navarre, and Bourbon. Here is an abbey of White Nuns of the Cistertian order, founded A. D. 1150, and a Benedictine Priory called Du Rocher.

See Neustria Pia, p. 840.

In this town is also a collegiate church founded A. D. 1082, by Robert earl of Mortain, brother to William the Conqueror, whose chapter consists of two dignitaries and fourteen canons.

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MONTMOREL.

DIOCESE OF AVRANCHES.

M O N S M O R E L L U S.

M O N T M O R E L .

An abbey of Regular Canons of St. Austin; founded A.D. 1180, by the lords de Subligny and du Horne.

Annual income 4000 livres.

See Neustria Pia, p. 879.

Rot. Lit. Patent. Norimann. de anno 6 H. V. m. 38. De custodia temporalium abbatiae de Montmorell, commissa religiosis viris abbatiae praedictae.

APPEN-



## A D D E N D A.

Introd. p. xxxiii. "Histoire du diocèse de Bayeux. Première partie: Contenant l'histoire des évêques, avec celle des Saints, des Doyens, & des hommes illustres, de l'église cathédrale ou du diocèse. Par Mr. Hermant. Caen, 1705." 4to.

## P. xxxiv.

" The city of Avranches is the nastiest I have yet seen in France; but its situation is very fine. The cathedral stands on a hill, which terminates abruptly; the front extends to the extreme verge, and overhangs the precipice. It bears marks of high antiquity. The towers are decayed in many places, though its original

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construction has been wonderfully strong. The two W. towers are supposed to be as old as the VIII<sup>th</sup> century. Henry II. received absolution from the pope's nuncio for the murder of Becket here, 1172; and they shew the stone on which he kneeled. It is about 30 inches by 12, with a chalice cut on it, and stands before the N. porch." Wraxall's Tour through France, at the end of his " Memoirs of the Kings of France of the House of Valois," II. 225, 6.

P. 12. The abbey of FESCA  
MP was possessed of divers lands in Suf-  
sex; viz. the manor of Ramefie, and  
lands at Staninges, and at Berie. See  
Domesday. Richard Earl of Arundel,  
by his will, dated 1392, left to the  
abbot and convent of Fescamp a sum  
of

of money to purchase the manor of Bury in Arundel rape, Sussex. See Royal Wills, p. 127.

See in the Cotton Library (*Vitellius D. XIII.* 1) De fundatione abbatiæ de Fescamp in Normannia.

P. 15. The abbey of St. Peter at JUMIEGES was possessed of the manor of Helingey in Hampshire. See Domesday.

P. 17.

“ In the church of Loches, before the high altar, is interred the celebrated Agnes Soreille, mistress to Charles VII. The monument is composed of black marble; and on it her effigy cut in white alabaster. If it may be supposed to resemble her person, she was feminine and delicate

to the utmost degree of which the human body is susceptible. The face is perfectly correspondent to the other parts, and conveys an idea of uncommon loveliness mixt with exquisite fragility. Her hands, which are joined in prayer, are models of symmetry and proportion. Round her hair is a broad fillet enriched with pearls ; and a sort of necklace, composed of the same ornaments, falls on her bosom. She reposes on an embroidered cushion : her dress is simple, modest, concealing her limbs from view, and at her feet are two lambs, emblematical of her name, Agnes. Time has begun to injure the figure and deface the tomb in many parts.— As she expired at the abbey of Jumièges in Normandy, her body was brought,

brought, by her express command, to this church, to which, during her life time, she had made very ample donations. Louis XI. though he neither honoured his father's memory, nor respected her, yet protected her remains, and refused permission to the canons, who, by an act of ingratitude to their benefactress, petitioned for the removal and demolition of her tomb." Wraxall, II. 393.

P. 19. The archbishop of ROUEN had lands in Frekenham in Suffolk. See Domesday.

P. 29. The Abbey of BEC had the manor of Devrel in Wiltshire. See Domesday.

The abbey of Bec held in Surrey at the making of Domesday of the gift of Richard F. Gilbert or de Tonbridge *Totinges* [Tooting] (thence probably called Tooting *Bec*) and *Estrham* [Stretham]. Hence Mr. Salmon [Surrey p. 40.] conjectures that the duke of Bedford's house at the latter place, which is said to have been one of Q. Elizabeth's palaces, was the residence of the abbot of Bec when he came to England.

This manor came into the Bedford family by marriage of Wriothesley second duke of Bedford, (son of lord Russel beheaded by C. II.) with Elizabeth only daughter of John Howland, esq. and granddaughter of Sir Josiah Child, 1695; soon after which his grace was created baron Howland of

of Streatham. The house is large, situated by the side of the high road, and at present occupied only by a farmer, steward of the estate. In the front wall are two small brick hexagon embattled turrets ; on one two bars, in chief three lions passant S. Crest on a wreath, a leopard passant gardant gorged with a ducal coronet. Sir *Giles Howland* knt. son of John Howland of London, and younger brother of Richard Howland bishop of Peterborough. On the other in a lozenge, in a border engrailed on a fess Erm. three mullets between three swans. Elizabeth daughter of Sir *John Rivers*, knt. lord-mayor of London, 1573, his second wife. These two towers were probably built by Sir

Giles Howland when first seated there at the end of queen Elizabeth or beginning of James the first's reign,

Sibilla de Tingria daughter of Faran de Bolonia, lady of *Clopham* [Clapham] confirmed to the monks of Bec one hide in *Bulgham* [Balham], which belonged to Clapham manor, and had been given them by her ancestors, for which the monks paid her *40 solidos esterlingorum*. Nigel de Mandeville had given two hides in Balgham, by consent of his wife, to Bermondsey abbey; which by exchange or purchase came to Bec, and are now in the duke of Bedford.

The prior of Bec had a pension of 4l. out of Streatham church. (Valor Bodl.) Probably they compounded with the rector, demising the tithes  
of

of Tooting and Balgham for it.  
(Salmon, ib. 39.)

The manor of Totyngbek was rented of the crown by John Arderne, esq. for 19l. per annum; which rent was part of the endowment of Eton college, 19 H. VI. Mon. Ang. III. p. II. 198. Rot. Parl. V. 48.

Some of the lands in England belonging to the cells of the Abbey of Bec, and to other Alien Priories, were purchased temp. Rich. II. by William of Wykeham for his College at Winchester; and all the old deeds, charters, &c. relative to these lands, are entered in two large Leiger Books preserved in the Archives of that College. These MSS. the late Mr. Samuel Carte had seen and perused, as he informed Dr. Ducarel, July 25, 1754.

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P. 65. Abb. DE CRUCE LEUFREDI  
tenet de dono Regis W. in Aifsele in  
Amelebrige hund. vii. hid et iii.  
virg. terre. See Domesday, Surrey.

P. 107. The abbey of St. PIERRE  
SUR DIVE had lands at Peise and Co-  
serige. See Domesday, Berkshire.

P. 130. Cott. Lib. *Tiberius B. VI.* 7.  
Copia alienationis factæ per abbatissam  
Monasterii SANCTÆ TRINITATIS  
DE CADOMO in Normannia de terris  
fuis in partibus Angliae.

P. 133. A large ancient undated  
plan of Caen has round it views of  
the abbeys of St. Stephen and the  
Trinity, those of Fontenay and Ar-  
deine near Caen, besides views of the  
feasts of several of the nobility and  
gentry

gentry in that neighbourhood. Two sheets, chez Gerard Jollain, rue St. Jaques à la Ville de Cologne à Paris.

“ Les Recherches & Antiquitez de Normandie, mais principalement de la Ville de Caen. Caen, 1588.” 4to.

“ Origine de la ville de Caen. Par Pierre Huet eveque d’Avranches. Rouen, 1706.” 8vo. This second edition is the fullest and best of this curious book,

*De fidelitate Abbatissæ Sanctæ Trinitatis de Cadomo.*

From Rymer, vol. IV. p. 291.

A. D. 1327. An. 1 E. III. Clauf. 1 E. III. p. 2. m. 17.

R E X dilecto & fideli suo Ottoni de Grandifono, custodi insularum de Gernereye, Jerseye, Serk, & Aureneyl,

neyl, vel ejus locum tenenti, Salutem.

Sciatis quod cepimus fidelitatem dilectae nobis in Christo Nicholæ, abbatissæ Sanctæ Trinitatis de Cадамо, in Normanniâ, de terris & tenementis, quæ de nobis tenet in insulis prædictis, & quæ, occasione mortis ultimæ abbatissæ loci prædicti, capta sunt in manum nostram, & illa ei reddidimus :

Et ideò vobis mandamus, quod eidem abbatissæ, vel ejus procuratori, seu attornato in hac parte, terras & tenementa prædicta cum pertinentiis liberetis, salvo jure cujuslibet.

Teste Rege apud Eborum tertio die Junii.

## P. 145. MOUNT St. MICHAEL.

Mr. Wraxall, in his Tour before cited, p. 202, &c. describes this extraordinary rock rising in the middle of the bay of Avranches, a league from the village of Genet, across the sound passable only at low water, defended on one side by perpendicular crags, and on the other by strong walls and towers. The town of one street winds round the foot of the rock. Higher up are state prisons and other buildings; and on the summit the abbey occupying a prodigious space of ground, and proportionably strong and solid. The sale de chevalerie or knights hall resembles for size that at Marienbourg in Polish Prussia, but is ruder, and of earlier date. Here Louis IV.

instituted the order of Knights of the Cross of St. Michael, who here held their chapters \*. After passing thro' several lesser rooms into a long passage, and thence through a door and narrow entrance perfectly dark, Mr. Wraxall was conducted into a dungeon, in which stood a cage about 12 feet square and 20 high, composed of prodigious wooden bars, with a wicket near a foot thick, which had been the abode of many eminent victims in former ages, whose names and miseries are now forgotten. The souterrains of this mountain are so nume-

\* This seems a mistake: for P. Montfaucon says, this order was instituted at *Amboise*, Aug. 1, 1469. The place for this order was indeed the church of Mount St. Michael, as having never been taken by the enemies of the crown of France. See *Montf. de la Mon. Fr. Tom. III. 305, pl. 61.*

rous as not to be known to their keepers. The *Oubliettes* are certain dark vaults, into which persons guilty of very heinous crimes were let down with one loaf of bread and a bottle of wine, and left to perish. Between the abbey and the outer wall was a hollow near 100 feet deep, and at the bottom of it a window opening into the sea. This is called the "Hole of Montgomeri," from that count de Montgomeri, who accidentally killed Henry II. king of France, at a tournament 1559, and being a hugonot, and escaping the massacre of Paris, made head against the royal forces in Normandy till he was obliged to retire to the Tombelaine, another such rock as Mount St. Michael, and three-quarters of a league from it, and then fortified

fortified by a castle. From hence he attempted to surprize the Mount, but being betrayed by the monks, and all his troop of 50 men cut off, except two and himself, with difficulty regained the Tombelaine. His scaling ladders and grappling irons are shewn here. The church rests on 9 enormous pillars founded on the solid rock, which Mr. Wraxall conjectured to be each 25 feet diameter. Two smaller support the centre tower. The refectory, cloisters and cells are very magnificent and spacious; but so much decayed, that one of the great towers, by its many cracks, threatens speedy ruin. Among the reliques, they shew the scull of St. Aubert bishop of Avranches, with the impression of the arch-angel's thumb,

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after his neglect of repeated warnings to build this church : a fine head of Charles VI. of France cut in crystal ; an arm of a St. Richard king of England ; an enormous gold cockle shell \*, weighs many pounds, given by Richard second duke of Normandy when he founded the abbey ; and a great stone which fell on the head of Louis XI. at the siege of Besançon without hurting him. The late king sequestered the ample revenues of this place : a prior is substituted to the abbot, and the religious reduced from 30 to 14. It is at present considered rather as a state prison, whose illustrious inhabitants are confined more or less strictly, according to the royal

\* The badge of the order.

mandate. There are in one range of rooms eight who eat at a round table together, are allowed each a pint of wine, but no knives or forks; and no person is allowed to enter the doors where they live, or hold any conversation with them. Some have been sent hither since the accession of the present king. Others have liberty to go into every part of the Mount habited as priests. About 16 days before Mr. Wraxall was there, a prisoner, after 10 months confinement, escaped by letting himself down 100 feet perpendicular by a rope, crossed the sands at low water, and had not since been heard of. Persons of quality, who are lunatics, are also sent hither. Between 8 and 10,000 peasants, and some of higher rank, come hither

hither annually on pilgrimage from a considerable distance : It is said the late Dauphin made a visit here. They wear a ribbon in form of a cross on their breasts, and on their cloaths the image of St. Michael vanquishing the devil ; their hats are covered with cockle-shells laced round the edges ; and on the crown a gilt coronet surmounted by the cross. At the foot of the mountain close to the sea is a fine well of fresh water ; and in the rock above are hewn very capacious cisterns. The town itself is almost as curious as any part of the Mount. Many of the houses appear to be 5 or 600 years old, and few later than Louis XI's time. The whole number of persons in the town and abbey does not exceed

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ceed 180 in time of peace, when the militia guard the prisoners. But in time of war there is a garrison of 500 soldiers. In 1090, Robert duke of Normandy and William Rufus besieged their brother Henry a long time in this mount; and when he was on the point of surrendering from thirst, Robert generously sent him a supply of wine.

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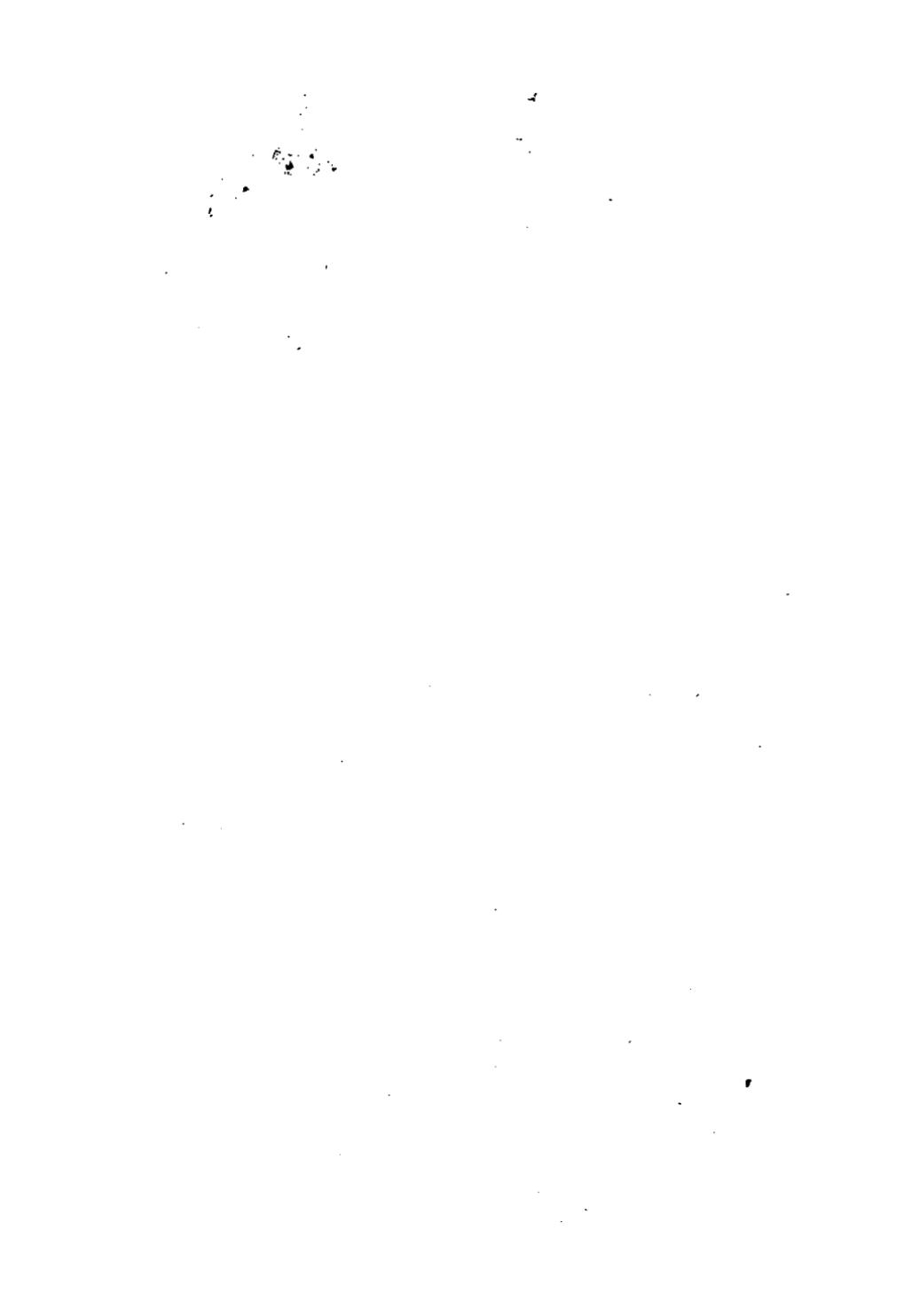
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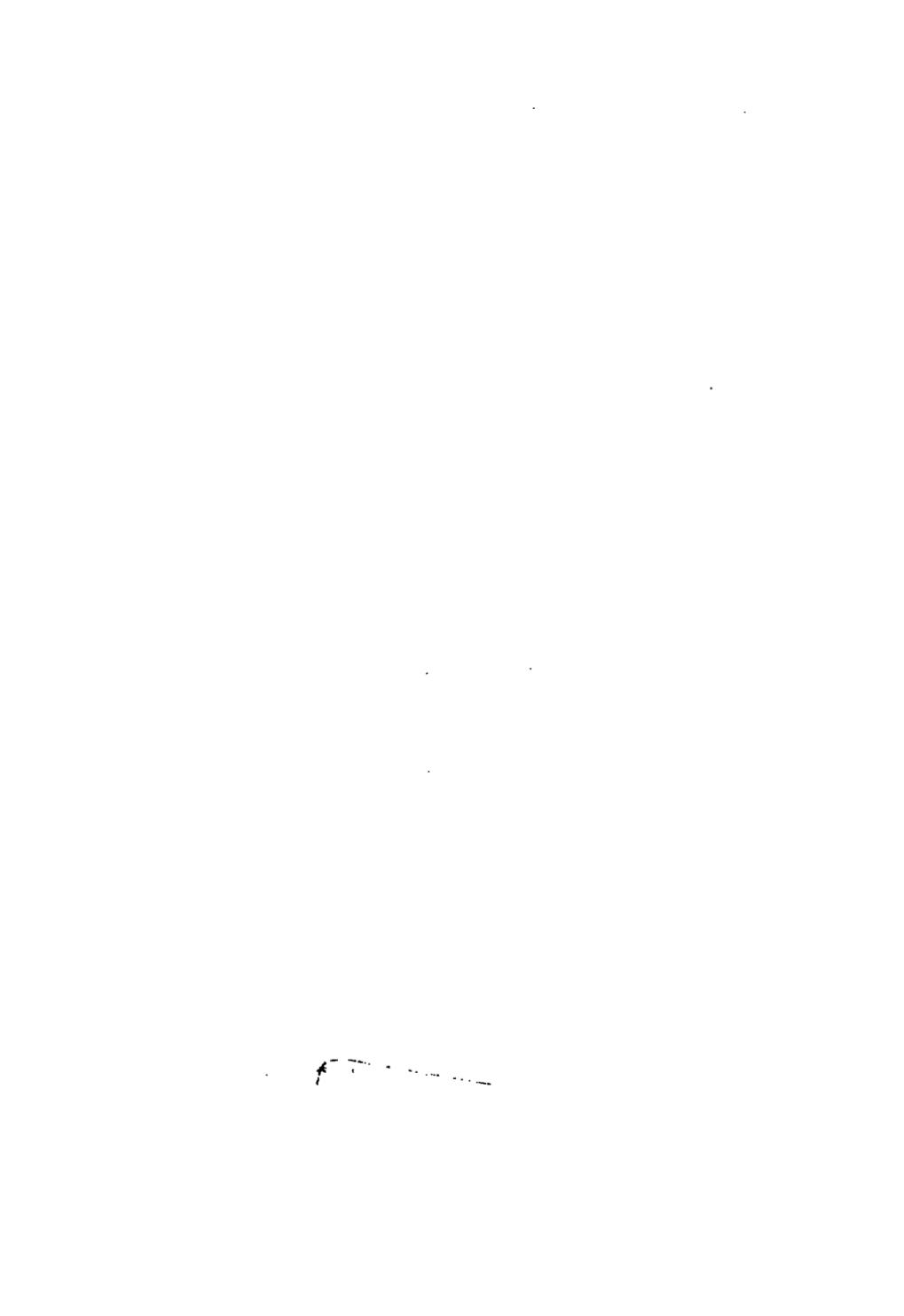
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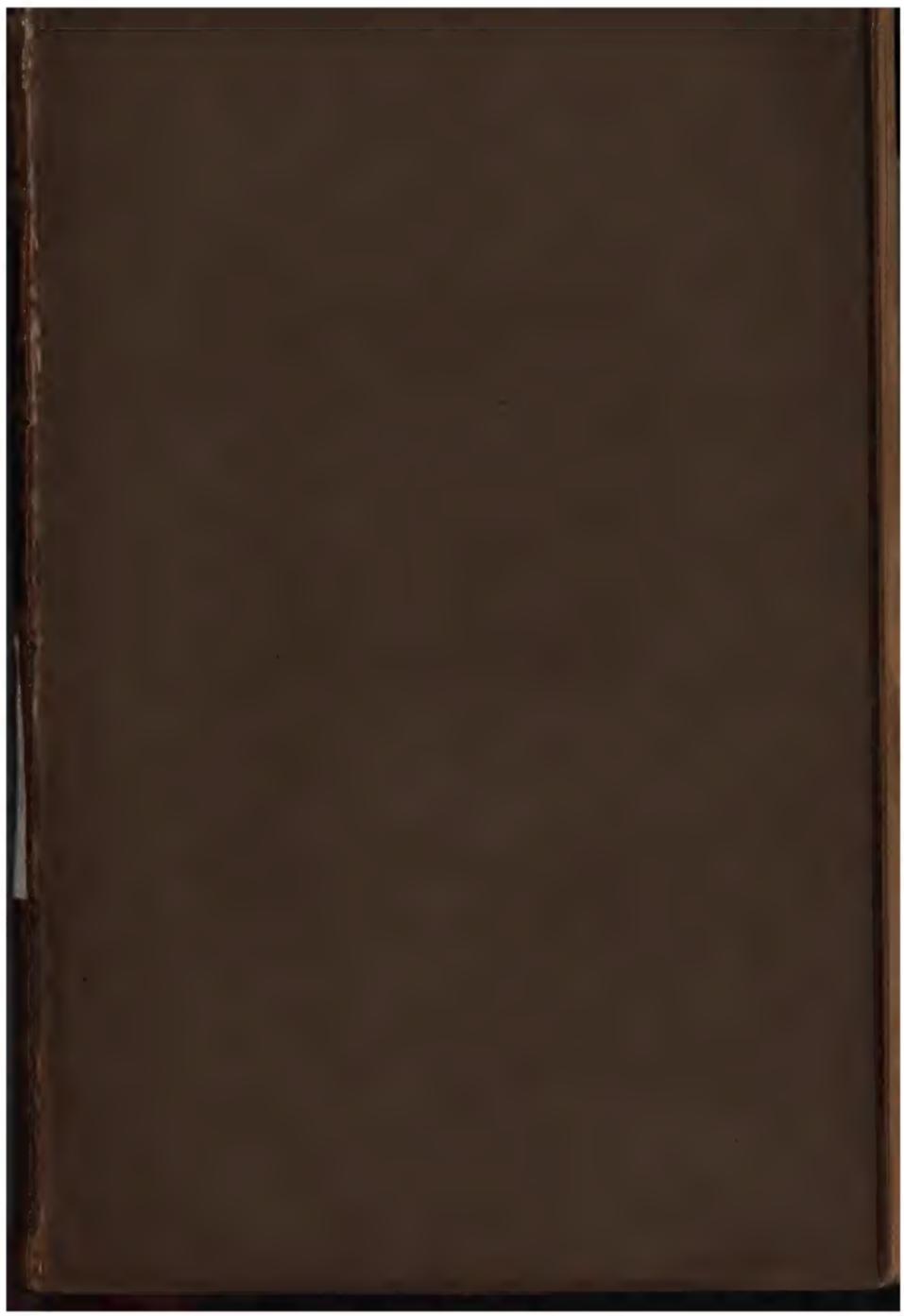
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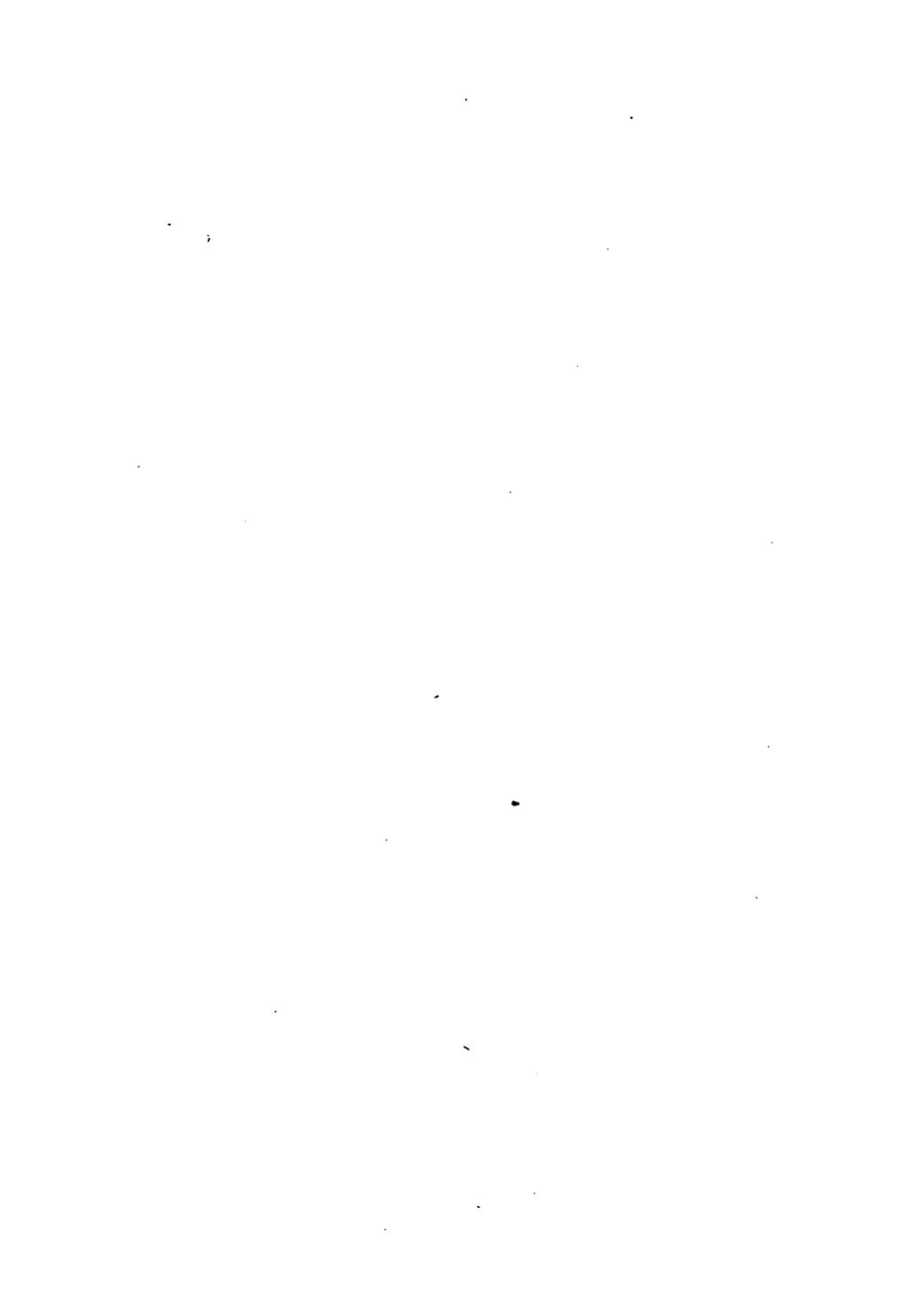














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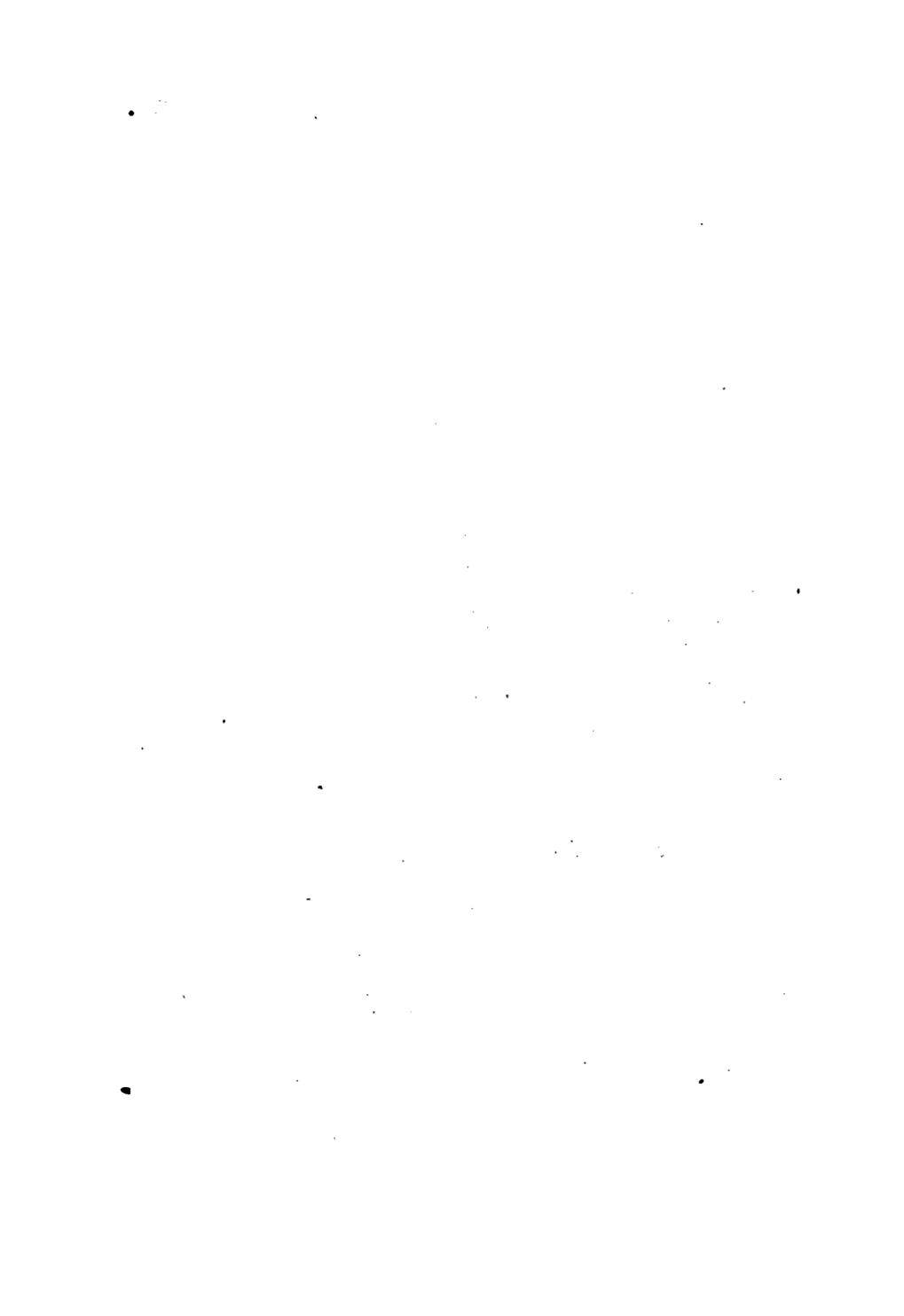
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SOME  
ACCOUNT  
OF THE  
ALIEN PRIORIES.

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DIOCESE OF COUTANCE.

S. SEVERUS.

S. SEVER.

**A** Benedictine abbey in a town of that name; founded (as supposed) by Severus bishop of Avranches, about A.D. 558.

This monastery was refounded about 1085, by Hugo de Abrincis, viscount d'Avranches, afterwards earl of Chester.

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Annual

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B I O C E S E   O F   C O U T A N C E .

S. SEVERI.

Annual income between 8 and 9000  
livres.

See Monast. Angl. tom. II. p. 950.  
25. 1002. b.

Neustria Pia, p. 74.

At Haghram in Lincolnshire was an  
estate and priory belonging to this  
abbey. Tanner's Notitia, p. 281.

At Endeston in Somersetshire was  
an alien priory of Benedictine Monks,  
cell to this abbey. Ib. p. 475.

Rot. Vasconiae anno 13 E. I. m. 13.  
De compositione inter regem seu gen-  
tes suas et abbatem et conventum  
Sancti Severi super justitia ejusdem  
loci observanda. Teste Rege apud  
Westminster 13 Junii.

Rot. Patent. Normann. de anno  
6 H. V. pars r. m. 11. De custodia  
tem-

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S. SEVER.

DIOCESE OF COUTANCE.

temporalium abbatiae de Saint Sever,  
commissa religiosis viris ibidem.

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### H A M B E Y A.

### H A M B I E.

A Benedictine abbey in a town of  
that name; founded A. D. 1145, by  
William Paisnel lord of this manor.

Annual income 9000 livres.

See Neustria Pia, p. 821.

Rot. Normann. de anno 7 H. V.  
p. 1. m. . De temporalibus restitu-  
tutis monasterio B. M. de Hambye.

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**B I O C E S E   O F   C O U T A N C E .**

**S .   S A L V A T O R .**

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**S .   S A U V E U R   L E   V I C O M T E .**

An abbey of Benedictine monks, in a town of that name; founded A. D. 1048, by Nigellus lord of this town, and viscount of Cotentin.

See Monast. Angl. tom. II. p. 950.

**59. 1001. b.**

Neustria Pia, p. 540.

The tithes of the parish church of All Saints, with the chapel of St. Mary at Elingham, in Hampshire, were the first and chief endowment of an alien priory belonging to this abbey. Tanner's Notitia, p. 163.

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# THE ALIEN PRIORIES. 5

LESSAY.

DIOCESE OF COUTANCE.

## E X A Q U I U M.

MONASTERIUM S. TRINITATIS EXAQUII.

### L E S S A Y.

A Benedictine abbey founded by Turstin Halduc and Emma his wife, A. D. 1064.

Annual income 26000 livres.

See Monast. Angl. tom. II. p. 950.  
968. a.

Neustria Pia, p. 617.

Rot. Normann. de anno 8 Hen. V.  
pars II. m. 21. De confirmatione car-  
tarum pro monachis de Exaquo.

At Boxgrove in Sussex was an alien priory subordinate to this abbey, val. £.145.10s. 2d. per ann. See Tanner's Notitia, p. 555.

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DIOCESE OF COUTANCE.

LESSON,

Buck engraved a N. W. view of its  
ruins, 1737, and Grose another, 1761.

Rot. Lit. Patent. Normann. de anno  
6 H. V. pars 1. m. 35. De custodia  
temporalium abbatiae Sanctae Trinita-  
tis de Lessay in dioceſi de Coutances,  
commissa religiosis viris ibidem.

Patent. Normann. de anno 6 Hen.  
V. pars 2. m. 35. Rex concessit ab-  
bati et conventui abbatiae Sti. Trini-  
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Rot. Normann. de anno 6 H. V.  
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commissa Johanni de Aston, ad ex-  
igendum sacramentum fidelitatis no-  
mine regis de abbate Sti. Trinitatis de  
Lessay.

S. FRE-

## THE ALIEN PRIORIES. 7

S. FREMONT.

DIOCESE OF COUTANCE.

S. F R E M O N D U S.

S. F R E M O N T.

St. Fremont is a town situate upon the river Vire; wherein is a priory, whose prior had formerly a seat in the exchequer of Normandy.

See Etat Geographique de Normandie, par Masseville, vol. I. p. 286.

Pat. 3 H. IV. part I. m. 30.

Rot. Normann. de anno 7 H. V.  
pars 1. m. 78. De temporalibus ref-  
titutis prioratui beatæ Mariæ de Sancto  
Fremondo.

See a composition between the monks of St. Fremond and the nuns of Stamford, touching the church of All Saints in the town of Stamford, (sans date) printed in Madox's Formulare, N° XLIII.

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D I O C E S E   O F   C O U T A N C E .

M O N T E B O U R G .

M O N S   B U R G U S ,

M O N T I S B U R G E N S E   C O E N O B I U M .

M O N T E B O U R G .

A Benedictine abbey in a town of  
that name ; founded A. D. 1090, and  
improved by the lords de Redvers.

Annual income 20000 livres.

See Monastic, Angl. tom. II. p. 951.

4. 992. a.

Neustria Pia, p. 672.

Rot. Lit. Pat. Normann. de anno  
6 Hen. V. pars i. m. 35. De tem-  
poralibus restitutis abbatiae de Moun-  
tebourg in patria Costentin.

Rot. Normann. de anno 10 H. V.  
m. 13. De confirmatione cartarum  
pro abate Montisburgi,

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MONTEBOURG.

DIOCESE OF COUTANCE

The manor of Apeldercomb, or Apple Durwell, in the Isle of Wight, belonged to this abbey. Tanner's *Notitia*, p. 168.

At Lodres in Dorsetshire was an alien priory, subordinate to this abbey, to which the manor of Lodres was given by Benedict, or Richard de Redvers, temp. Hen. I. on which account the abbat of that foreign monastery was prebendary in the cathedral church of Salisbury, and had a house in the close there. This priory was valued at £.80 per ann. and was given by Henry V, 1414, to the nunnery of Sion, Middlesex. Tanner's *Notitia*, p. 105, Hutchins's *Dorset*, I. 356.

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## MEMO OF CHIEF

MONTGOMERY.

The manor of Axmouth, in the deanry of Honiton in Devonshire, being given to this abbey by Richard de Redvers or Rivers, earl of Devonshire, temp. Hen. II. it was reckoned sometimes as a distinct alien priory; at other times, as parcel of Lodres. Tanner's Notitia, p. 94. Hutchins ubi sup.

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BLANCHE LANDE.

BIOCESE OF COUTANCE.

BLANCA LANDA.

ABBATIA DE BLANCA LANDA.

BLANCHE LANDE.

An abbey of Premonstratenfians ; founded A. D. 1155, by Richard baron de la Haye, constable of Normandy. Its annual income 6000 livres.

See Mon. Angl. tom. II. p. 1015. a.  
Neustria Pia, p. 842.

At Cameringham in Lincolnshire was an alien priory belonging to this abbey. Tanner's Notitia, p. 272.

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DIOCESE OF COUTANCE.

LA PERRINE.

P E R R I N A.

L A P E R R I N E.

A priory of the order of the Ma-thurins; founded A. D. 1250, by Eustatia wife of William du Hommet constable of Normandy. Annual income 4000 livres.

See Neuftria Pia, p. 913.

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S. L A U D U S.

S T. L O.

An abbey of Regular Canons of St. Austin, in a town of the same name, situate on the river Vire, founded A.D. 1150.

See Neuftria Pia, p. 836.

Rot. Normann. de anno 5 H. V.  
m. 37. Pro abbatia de St. Lo, de res-tituzione temporalium.

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## THE ALIEN PRIORIES. 13

NANTEUIL.

DIOCESE OF COUTANCE.

### NANTUS.

### NANTEUIL.

An abbey of Benedictines, said to have been founded A. D. 558, by St. Marculphus, who was buried there; but on the destruction of this house by the Normans, removed to Mantes.

See Neustria Pia, p. 69. 72.

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### SISCIAcum.

### CHESSAY.

A Benedictine abbey, said to have been founded A. D. 550, by St. Paternus.

See Neustria Pia, p. 66.

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DIOCESE OF COUTANCE.

CHERBOURG.

CÆSARIS-BURGUS, ~~SEU~~ DE VOTO.

CHERBOURG, N. DAME DU VOEUF.

An abbey of Regular Canons of St. Austin, founded A. D. 1145, by the empress Matilda, in consequence of a vow to the Blessed Virgin, if she got safe to England on the death of her father Henry I.

Her son, Henry II. was acknowledged a co-founder.

See Monasticon, tom. II. p. 1008.

Neustria Pia, p. 813.

About A. D. 1164, king Henry II. gave to this abbey the manor of Hagh, Halgh, or Howghe, on the Mount, in Lincolnshire, so that there was an alien priory of some Austin Canons subordinate to that foreign monastery.  
Tanner's Notitia, p. 272.

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CHERBOURG.

DIOCESE OF COUTANCE.

The priory of St. Helier in Jersey, was appropriated to the abbey de Voto at Cherbourg, and fell to the crown with the rest of the incomes of the Alien Priories. Hist. of Jersey, by P. Falle, ed. 1734, 8vo.

Rot. Patent. Normann. de anno 6 H. V. pars 1. m. 6. De temporalibus restitutis religiosis viris abbatiae Beatæ Mariæ de Vœu prope Cherbourg.

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Rot. Normann. de anno 6 H. V. pars 2. m. 29. Rex adhibuit assensum electioni factæ in ecclesia conventuali beatæ Mariæ de Voto juxta Cæsar-Burgum.

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### BIOGRAPHY OF COURTAULD.

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Rot. Franciæ de anno 10 Ri-  
cardi II. m. 1. De custodia Prioratus  
de Hagh in comitatu de Lincoln, ac  
Prioratus de Sancto Helier in insula de  
Jersey, concessa abbatii et conventui  
de Voto juxta Cherbourg in Norman-  
nia fundato per Regem Henricum II.  
Teste Rege apud castrum de Noting-  
ham, 21 Februarii.

Rot. Franciae de anno 3 Ric. II.  
m. 27. De concedendo abbati et con-  
ventui de Voto juxta Chierbourg in  
Normannia (fundato per Henricum  
II.) custodiam Prioratus de Hagh in  
comitatū de Lincoln, ac Prioratus de  
Saint Helyer in Insula Jersey. Teste  
R. apud Westminster 30 Junii.

Rot. Franciae de anno 34 Edw. III.  
m. 6. De salva gardia pro abbatte de

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DIOCESE OF COUTANCE.

Voto juxta Cæsaris-burgum in Normannia. Ibid. pro abbatte de Voto de restitutio[n]e Prioratus de Hagh. Teste rege apud Westminster. 22 Julii.

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**DIOCESE OF ROUEN.**

**S. VANDRILLE.**

**DIOCESE OF ROUEN.**

(Continued from Vol. I. p. 62.)

**FONTANELLA seu WANDREGISILIUS.**

**FONTENELLE, or ST. VANDRILLE.**

A Benedictine abbey, six or seven leagues from Rouen, founded A. D. 654, by St. Wandregisilius, or, as the Monasticon says, by Richard the Second duke of Normandy. Soon after its foundation it had 500 monks, tho' now there are not above 20. It is at present known by the name of St. Vandrille.

The church was burnt 756, and again by the Normans 862, and not entirely rebuilt till 1033. The nave remains unfinished, and a beautiful centre,

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DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

centre tower, built 1331, fell down 1631, for want of repair, and destroyed two-thirds of the choir, the nave, S. transept, and our Lady's chapel. The religious of St. Maur, who were soon after introduced, rebuilt the whole. The fine collection of MSS. here was carried off and sold 1580 by the sacristan, and bought by Bigot and Duchesne.

Descr. de la haute Norm. I. 78—85.

Monasticon, tom. II. p. 949. 40.  
104. a. b.

Neustria Pia, p. 131.

This house held the churches of Bridton, (Burton Bradstock) Bridport and Whitchurch Canonicorum, in Dorset, at the time of the Conqueror's survey. Dorsetshire Domesday, tit. IX.

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BISHOP OF ROUEN.

S. VANDRILLE.

Hutchins I. 238. 324. 331. 343.  
A manor in Bincombe, in the same  
county. Ib. 339.

The church of Uphaven in Wilt-  
shire being given to this abbey as  
early probably as the time of king  
Henry I. or that of king Stephen,  
a cell of Benedictine monks from  
thence was placed here. Tanner's  
Notitia, p. 598.

At Ecclesfield, in Yorkshire, was an  
alien priory of Benedictine monks be-  
longing to this abbey. Ib. p. 683.

Rot. Pat. Normann. de anno 7 Hen.  
V. pars 2. m. 8. & 7. De confirma-  
tione cartarum pro abbatia Sti. Wan-  
dragefilii de Rouen.

Rot. Normann. de anno 6 H. V.  
pars 2. m. 26. De restitutione tem-  
poralium

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B. VANDRILLE.

DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

porarium abbati et conventui monasterii Sancti Wandragefilii.

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F L O R I A C U M.

F L E U R Y.

A Benedictine abbey, founded A. D. 702, by Pepin de Heristal, maire du palais to Childebert II. and subject to St. Wandregesil.

Descr. de la haute Norm. II. 271.

Neustria Pia, p. 369.

## C O R N E V I L L A.

C O R N E V I L L E.

At this place on the river Rile,  
two leagues from Pontaudemer, is a  
monastery, which was at first a  
priory, founded by Gilbert de Cor-  
neville, A. D. 1143, but was after-  
wards turned into an abbey of re-  
gular canons of St. Austin.

This abbey has never been considerable. It was totally destroyed by lightning, with all its buildings and furniture, 1287, but recovered itself by royal bounty. The religious of St. Maur, introduced into it 1659, have entirely rebuilt it. *Descr. de la haute Normand. II.* p. 319.

The annual income is 5000 livres, and it has the patronage of six churches.

Neustria Pia, p. 877.

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P R A T U M.

DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

S. MARIA D E P R A T I S.

P R A T U M.

NOTRE DAME DE BONNES NOUVELLES  
AT ROUEN.

A Benedictine abbey founded A. D. 1063, on lands belonging to Bec abbey, by Queen Matilda, wife of William the Conqueror, and so called, because, according to tradition, she was here when she received the news of her husband's victory in 1066.

It was finished by Henry I. The whole, except the dormitory, was consumed by fire 1243, and the greatest part of the church by lightning 1351. The Hugonots committed great ravages in it in 1562, and at the siege of Rouen by Henry IV. of

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France,

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DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

FRATUM,

France, 1591, it was burnt with the suburbs to save the city. It was rebuilt in its present form, between 1624 and 1655.

Hoveden says, the Empress Matilda, mother of Henry I. who died in 1166, was buried in the church of this abbey, where formerly was this epitaph :

Ortu magna, viro major, sed maxima partu,  
Hic jacet Henrici filia, sponsa, parens.

But the monks of Bec claim her body for their church, where the English stript her tomb 1421, and where her remains were found 1684. See Hist. of Bec abbey, p. 98, 99.

Arthur I. duke of Bretagne, who died at Rouen 1203, was buried here, and many of the antient earls of Va-

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PRATUM.

DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

renne, whose bones are lost in the  
ruins of the ancient monastery. Descr.  
de la haute Norm. II. 47.

Monast. Angl. tom. II. p. 995.

Neustria Pia, p. 611.

Hist. de Rouen, tom. V. p. 450.

Rot. Normanni de anno 8 Hen. V.

pars I. m. 13.

De confirmatione pro priore & con-  
ventu de Prato.

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COENOBIUM S. TRINITATIS IN MONTE.

MONASTERE DE LA SAINTE TRINITE'  
DU MONT A ROUEN.

This Benedictine abbey, which stood  
upon St. Catharine's hill, near Rouen,  
was founded, A. D. 1030, by Goffe-  
lin, Viscount d'Arques & de Dieppe,  
who

who became its first abbat. Afterwards, a castle being built here, this abbey was suppressed, and its estates given to the Chartreuse, near Gaillon, together with the several patronages formerly belonging to it.

Monast. Angl. tom. II. p. 949. 52.

Descr. de la haute Norm. II. 67.

Hist. de la Ville de Rouen, tom. V.  
p. 336, & seq.

At Harmondsworth, in Middlesex, was an alien priory of Benedictine monks, cell to the abbey of the Holy Trinity on the hill of St. Catharine, near Rouen. Tanner's Notitia, p. 312.

At Blyth, in Nottinghamshire, was a priory of Benedictine Monks, built by Roger de Builly, and Muriel his wife, about A. D. 1088, to the honour

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B. TRINITAS.

DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

nour of the Blessed Virgin. It was in some respects subordinate to the abbey of the Holy Trinity in Monte St. Catherine, near Rouen. It was not seized, however, among the alien priories, but continued till the general dissolution. Ib. p. 400.

For their lands here, see Dr. Du-carel's Norman Antiquities, p. 39.

Rot. Norman. de anno 7 H. V.  
pars .... m. 46. De restituione tem-  
poralium pro abbatе et conventu  
Sanctæ Trinitatis in Monte Sanctæ  
Katherinæ prope Rothomagum.

Rymer's Foedera, tom. VII. p. 697.  
Pro religiosis alienigenis, de licentia  
alienandi. Pat. 14 R. II. p. 2. m. 32.  
Teste R. ap. Westm. 10 Martii. Ubi  
recitatur concessio regis abbati mona-  
sterii

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DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

S. TRINITAS.

sterii S. Trinitatis in Monte S. Katerinæ  
juxta Rothomagum et conventui ejus-  
dem loci, quod ipsi dare possint, conce-  
dere, et assignare venerabili in Christo  
patri Will. de Wykeham episcopo  
Winton. heredibus et assignatis suis im-  
perpetuum maneria de *Hermondefworth*  
in com. Midd. et *Tyngewyk* in com.  
Buks. cum pertinent. ac omnia alia ad  
prædictos abb. & convent. & eorum  
pertinentia infra regnum nostrum An-  
gliæ, præter prioratum de Blithe, cum  
pertinentiis.

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GAILLE-FONTAINE.

DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

GOISLENIFONS.

GAILLE-FONTAINE.

A town in the País de Bray, where  
was an abbey of nuns, founded by  
Hugh de Gornay, about 1050.

Monaasticon Angl. tom. II. p. 979. a.  
Descr. de la haute Norm. II. 117.

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HOSPITALE LEPROSARUM DE KENILLI  
JUXTA ROTHOMAGUM.

PRIEURE' DU MONT AUX MALADES  
A ROUEN.

The inhabitants of Rouen, A. D.  
1131, built a church dedicated to St.  
James, and an hospital for lepers, at  
this place, where there is a priory of  
monks of the order of St. Austin, to  
which

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**BISHOP'S ESTATE OF ROUEN.**      **GAILLE-FONTAINNE**

which Henry the first and second, Kings of England, have been benefactors. The monastic apartments were rebuilt 1664.

Monast. Angl. tom. II. p. 1013. b.

Descr. de la haute Norm. II. 57.

Hist. de Rouen, tom. vi. p. 75.

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**G R A N D I M O N S.**

**PRIORE DE NOTRE DAME DU PARC DIT  
GRANDMONT LEZ ROUEN.**

Henry II. King of England and Duke of Normandy, having given some lands in the forest of Rouvray to the monks of the order of Grandmont, they began to settle there in 1156; but finding themselves disturbed in their devotions by hunters, they applied

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BRANDIMONI.

BISHOP OF ROUEN.

applied to this King, who gave them his park, and other lands near Rouen, where their Priory is at present (for which reason their church is called *Notre Dame du Parc*), and confirmed the same by his letters patent, dated July 3, anno regni 2, which see at length in *Histoire de la Ville de Rouen*, vol. vi. p. 98. where, at p. 103, is the epitaph of Geoffry (Plantagenet) archbishop of York, base son to King Henry II. who died 1212, and lies buried in the church of this convent.

This priory having been a long time held in commendam, was united by Henry IV. to the Jesuits college.

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The church was ruined about the end of the 14th century, and soon after its restoration was burnt down. The monastery did not recover the havock made in it by the league till 1652. Descr. de la haute Norm. II.

See Rot. Normann. de anno 7 Hen.  
V. pars. 1. m. 26. De temporalibus  
restitutis Prioratui Beatæ Mariæ de  
Parc-lez-Rouen.

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S. GEORGE DE BOCHERVILLE.

DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

### COENOBIUM S. GEORGII BANQUERVILLE.

#### ST. GEORGE DE BOCHERVILLE,

A Benedictine abbey in the parish of Bocherville, two leagues from Rouen, near the river Seine; founded A. D. 1114, by Radulfus lord of Tancarville.

Its church, which was built about 1066, is of a massive style, calculated to resist the violent winds which are frequent in this valley. It is 206 feet by 60 and 50 high; the transepts 96 by 26: both of them terminating like the choir, in a semicircle. The steeple is 180 feet high, and two slender towers rise over the W. door. The founder and his family are buried here. His 5th son William turned out the

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canons, and substituted monks of St. Evroul. The dormitory was rebuilt 1690.

Genetai, a country house just by this abbey, is remarkable for its artificial echo. Descr. de la haute Norm. II. 294.

Its annual income is 17000 livres, and the patronage of twenty churches.

Neustria Pia, p. 691.

Monaft. Angl. tom. II. p. 954. a.

At Edith Weston, or Edyweston, in Rutlandshire, was an alien priory of Benedictine monks, cell to this abbey, to which it was given by William de Tankerville, chamberlain to king Henry I. Tanner's Notitia, p. 443.

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B. GEORGE DE BOCHERVILLE.

DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

The said William de Tankerville,  
temp. Hen. I. gave the manor of Ave-  
bury in Wiltshire to this abbey ; and  
so it became an alien priory to it.  
Ib. p. 597.

Rot. Normann. de anno 6 H. V.  
pars 2. m. 27. De restituzione tem-  
poralium abbatii et conventui Sancti  
Georgii de Basquerville.

Rot. Franc. 13 H. IV. m. 15.  
Pro monachis de Normannia.

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B E L L E N C O M B R E .

B E L L E N C U M B R I S .

B E L L E N C O M B R E .

A Priory of the order of St. Austin,  
in a town of that name on the river  
Arques, in the País de Caux, founded  
by the lords de la Heuze ; but at what  
time I have not been able to discover.  
Here seem to have been two distinct  
priories, afterwards united in one.  
At present there are no monks here.  
The king nominates the prior.

It is not taken notice of in Neustria  
Pia.

See Monast. Angl. tom. II. p. 1012. a.

Descr. de la haute Norm. I. p. 170.

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ST. MARTIN D'ACY.

DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

S. MARTINUS DE ALCEIO.

ST. MARTIN D'ACY.

St. Martin d'Acy, near Albemarle or Aumale, in the diocese of Rouen, is a Benedictine abbey founded about A. D. 1000, by the lords of Aumale, and by the countess Adelize, who gave it to the monks of St. Lucien, of Beauvais, as we learn by Stephen earl of Aumale, her son, who confirmed this foundation by his letters, dated A. D. 1115. The income of the abbot is about 9000 livres.

It was ruined 1393. The church was rebuilt about the middle of the following century, and again with the whole house 1705--1729. In the vaults are buried many lords of Guise and Nemours. Descri. de la haute Norm. I. 59.

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Stephen

Stephen earl of Albemarle gave, A. D. 1115, to the Benedictine Monks of St. Martin de Alceio, near Albemarle, in Normandy, several tithes and churches in the East Riding of Yorkshire, and in the north part of Lincolnshire, who thereupon sent over a procurator or prior, with some monks of their own house, to look after the same. These, after some time, fixed their cell and continued in the chapel of St. Helen (at Burstall Garth, olim Birstall, in the deanry of Holderness, and archdeaconry of East Riding in Yorkshire) till the frequent seizing of the estates of the foreign abbeys, during the wars with France, occasioned this alien priory to be sold

to

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S. MARTIN D'ACY.

DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

to the abbat and convent of Kirkstall,  
18 Ric. II. Tanner's Notitia, p. 647.

S. view of Burftall, by Buck,  
1721.

At Wytherness, in Yorkshire, a  
priory subordinate to this abbey, is  
mentioned in the records in the reign  
of King John. Ib. p. 682.

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MONASTERE DE LA ROSE  
DE NOTRE DAME.

COENOBIUM ROSÆ B. M.

This was the first monastery of Car-  
thusians at Rouen, founded A.D. 1384,  
by William de Lestrange, archbishop  
of Rouen, but in 1682 united to the  
monastery of Carthusians of St. Julien  
there, and totally destroyed 1702.

Descr. de la haute Norm. II. 67.

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Pat.

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DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

S. M. ROSÆ.

Pat. Normann. de anno 6 H. V,  
pars 2. m. 39. De salva gardia pro  
priore & conventu domus Rosæ Beatæ  
Mariæ juxta Rothomagum & homini-  
bus suis.

Rot. Normann, de anno 7 H. V,  
pars 1. m. 25. De salva gardia pro  
priore domus Rosæ Beatæ Mariæ juxta  
Rothomagum.

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S. L A U D U S.

S T. L O.

A priory of regular canons of St,  
Austin, in the city of Rouen, founded  
A. D. 1144, by Algar bishop of  
Coutances, who have several privi-  
leges. The church belonging to this  
convent was formerly a cathedral,  
where Thierri, bishop of Coutances,  
fixed

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CHARLEVAL.

DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

fixed a fee. Different parts were rebuilt  
in 1362, 1455 and 1479.

Descr. de la haute Norm. II. 52.

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NOVIONUM AD ANDELLAM, or  
CAROLI VALLIS.

CHARLEVAL, antiently NOYON SUR  
ANDELLE.

Charleval is a town so called ever  
since Charles IX. king of France,  
built a castle in this place; its antient  
name being Noyon sur Andelle. Here  
is a priory of Benedictine monks,  
founded A. D. 1107, by William earl  
of Evreux, whose prior is nominated  
by the prior of St. Evrou, Ebrulfus,  
or Utica, to whom as well as the pri-  
ory de Novo Mercato, in Normandy,  
it is subordinate. That great house  
had estates in several parts of England,  
but

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**DIOCESE OF ROUEN.**

**CHARLEVILLE.**

but chiefly in Berkshire, where the prior of Noyon, or Nowne, as some of the records call it, had manors and lands to a good value, at East Henred, Henny, &c. some, or all of which, were given by Henry V. to his new-erected monastery at Sheen.  
Tanner's *Notitia*, p. 23.

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**N O V U S - M E R C A T U S.**

**N E U M A R C H E.**

Neumarche, a small town, where is a priory of Benedictine monks, whose prior is nominated by the prior of St. Ebrulfus.

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DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

LES EMMUREES.

DOMUS MONIALIUM ORD. S. DOMINICI  
JUXTA ROTHOMAGUM.

LE MONASTERE DES RELIGIEUSES DE ST.  
DOMINIQUE, DITES LES EMMUREES.

Near the city of Rouen is a house of Nuns of the order of St. Dominic, called *les Emmurées*, *i. e.* locked up, because these nuns never come out of this convent (which is surrounded with high walls) after they are once admitted into it. It was founded by St. Lewis, king of France, A. D. 1269. It suffered much in 1384 and 1418, and was twice entirely destroyed: once by the Protestants who took this city in 1562, and a second time by the troops of the League in 1591. Notwithstanding which it is remarkable, that the choir

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LES EMMUREES.

DIOCESE OF ROUEN.

of the church remains entire as when first built by the founder. The rest of the church was rebuilt 1608 and 1666.

Monast. Angl. tom. II. p. 1916. b.

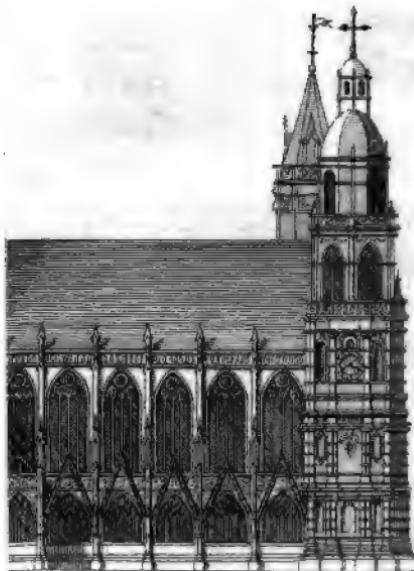
Descript. de la haute Norm. II. 64,

Hist. de la ville de Rouen, tom.

VI. p. 231. Rouen, 1738. 12mo.

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*EUX in Normandy.*

Courtesy of the British Library

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GRANDMONT.

DIOCESE OF EVREUX.

DIOCESE OF EVREUX.

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G R A N D I M O N S.

G R A N D M O N T.

A priory near the forest of Beau-mont-le-Roger.

Monast. Angl. tom. ii. p. 979. b.

On the borders of Brecknockshire, among the mountains in Ewyas land, was a monastery for a prior and ten religious, of the order of Grandmont in Normandy, settled at Cresswell, Careswell, or Kessewell, in Herefordshire, about the latter end of the reign of king John, or the beginning of king Henry III. probably by Walter Lacy. Tanner's *Notitia*, p. 177.

In

In the beginning of the time of king John, Joan, daughter of William Fossard, wife to Robert de Turnham, gave a parcel of lands in the forest of Egheton, since called Erskdale, (in Yorkshire) to the abbot and convent of Grandmont in Normandy, who thereupon sent a convent of monks, of their own order, to settle here; when, by reason of the wars with France, the kings of England bore hard upon these alien priories, the abbot of Grandmont got leave to sell the advowson, and all their right in this cell, to John Hewitt, alias Serjeant; and thereupon it seems to have become *prioratus indigena*, and to have subsisted till the general disso-

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GRANDMONT.

DIOCESE OF EVREUX.

dissolution, when there were not above four monks in it. Tanner's *Notitia*, p. 679.

Rot. Vasconiae anni 13 E. I. m. 1.  
Pro priore grandis montis de fratribus  
ordinis sui inobedientibus capienda.  
Dat. apud Westminster, 24 die Junii.

Rot. Normann. de anno 6 Hen. V.  
pars 2. m. 26. De restitutione tempo-  
ralium priori & conventui de Grant-  
mont.

DIOCESE OF EVREUX.

S. SALVATORIS

## S. SAUVEUR A EVREUX.

## S. SALVATOR.

A Bénédictine nunnery in the city of Evreux, founded A. D. 1055, by Richard earl of Evreux.

Monast. Angl. tom. II. p. 950.

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Rot. Normann. de anno 7 Hen. V.  
pars I. m. 48. De salva gardia con-  
cessa abbatissæ & conventui Sancti Sal-  
vatoris de Evreux.

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VERNON.

DIOCESE OF EVREUX.

VERNONUM, VERNUM, VEL VERNO.

V E R N O N .

A town situate upon the river Seine. The French kings had formerly a palace in this town; and St. Lewis, king of France, founded an hospital here in 1261.

See Monast. Angl. tom. II. p. 1014. a.

Rot. Normann. de anno 7 Hen. V. pars 1. m. 41. De havagio\* villæ de Vernon cum pertinentiis, concessio hospitali de Vernon in perpetuam elemosinam.

See an account of it in Dr. Ducale's Norman Antiq. p. 91, 92, &c.

\* *Havagium* or *havadium*, *havage*, *havee*, a tax paid for a certain measure of corn, or other dry goods. Du Cange.

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**DIOCESE OF LISIEUX.**

**LISIEUX.**

**DIOCESE OF LISIEUX.**

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**LEXOVENSIS.**

**LISIEUX.**

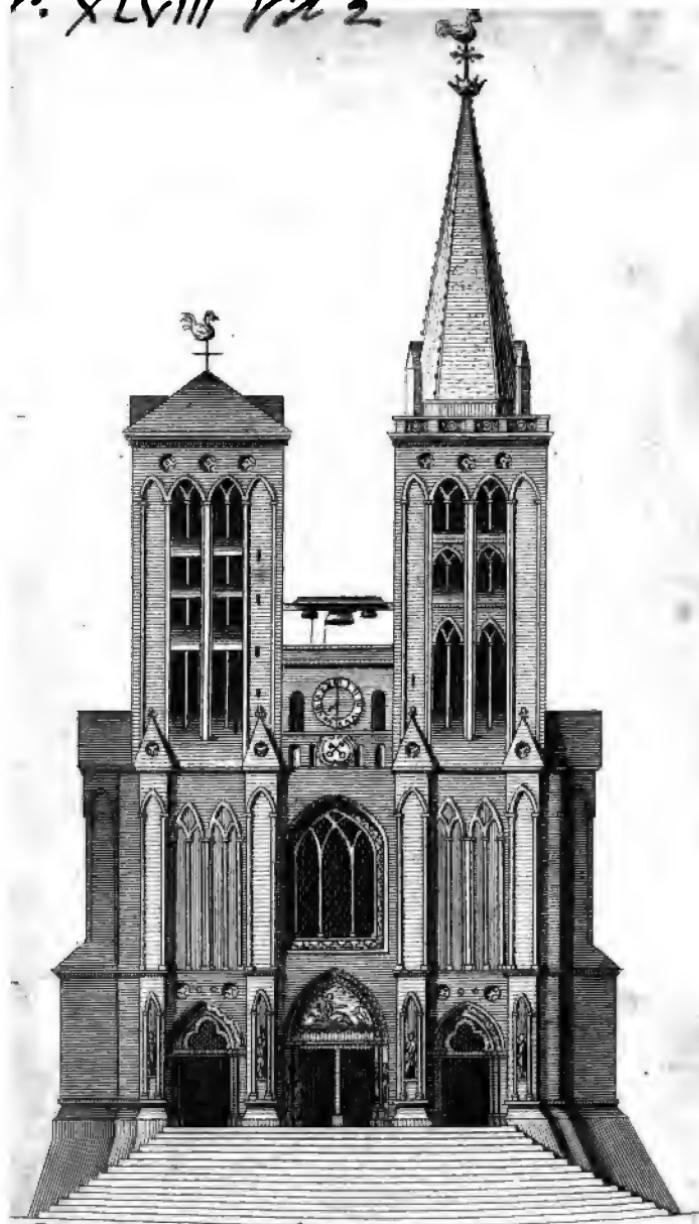
A Benedictine nunnery in the city of Lisieux, founded A. D. 1050, by Lescelina countess of Eu, with the assistance of her sons, Robert earl of Eu, and Hugh bishop of Lisieux.

Monastic. Angliæ, tom. II. p. 950. 4.

Neustria Pia, p. 583.

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*Cathedral of Lisieux in Normandy*







North-West View of the  
Cathedral of Bayeux, in Normandy.—

Lowney sc.

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VILLERS.

DIOCESE OF BAYEUX.

DIOCESE OF BAYEUX.

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VILLARIUM.

VILLERS.

One of the 13 parishes in Normandy of the name of Villers, called Villers en Bocage, has an abbey of Benedictine nuns.

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RADEVERUM.

RAVIERS.

A Benedictine abbey in the diocese of Bayeux, founded by St. Vigor, A. D. 545.

Neustria Pia, p. 65.

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## S. MARIA VILLARS.

VILLERS.

A Cistercian nunnery, at a town now called Villers Canivet, founded A. D. 1140, by Roger de Mowbray\*, possessed of lands at Wadone, [Friar's Waddon in Portisham.] Dorsetshire Domesday, tit. 23. Hutchins I. 556.

Neustria Pia, p. 791.

\* Mr. Hutchins says, it was founded by St. Philibert for monks, and repaired for nuns by Judith, wife of Richard II. duke of Normandy. Mon. Angl. II. 949. 4. But quere, if this is not Montvilliers before mentioned.

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**LIVRAY.**

**BISHOP OF BAYEUX,**

**LIBERIACUM.**

**LIVRAY, or LIOVRAY.**

A small Benedictine abbey founded  
by St. Gerbold bishop of Bayeux,  
about A.D. 675.

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DIOCESE OF AVRANCHES.

BEAUPORT.

DIOCESE OF AVRANCHES.

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BELLUS PORTUS.

BEAUPORT.

An abbey of Premonstratensians, in Britany, a cell to the abbey of La Luzerne, in the diocese of Avranches, founded by Alan earl of Goelo and Petronilla his wife, A. D. 1202.

Alan, son of Henry earl of Britany, gave, A. D. 1202, the town and church of West Ravendale, in Lincolnshire, to the Premonstratensian abbey of Beauport, in Britany, and so it became a cell to that monastery. It was valued at £14 per annum, and granted by Henry VI. to Southwell church. Tanner's Notitia, p. 278.

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## P. 14. CHERBOURG.

About half a mile from the town, is a cliff or rock of prodigious height, ascended by a long winding path across the adjoining mountains; and on its top a little convent of Benedictine monks or hermits, who there cultivate a few acres of barren stony ground. The superior shewed Mr. Wraxall the spot, now marked by a cross, from whence king John is said to have thrown his nephew Arthur into the sea, which now no longer washes the foot of this rock. W. of the town about a mile in a meadow on the river Chantereine is a small chapel, built by the Empress Matilda, who on her

passage to England, being overtaken by a violent storm, vowed to sing a hymn to the Virgin wherever she landed. This being the fortunate spot, one of the sailors reminded her of her vow, exclaiming, “Chante, reine, vechi terre,” which gave name to the river. The chapel is in the rude style of the age, and ready to fall. In it is a box apparently coeval with it, and above on the wall an inscription almost effaced imploring contributions to it. See Wraxall’s Tour, II. 189, &c.

## ALIEN PRIORIES

IN OTHER PARTS OF

F R A N C E.

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### DIOCESE OF AMIENS.

GEMELLENSE.

ST. MARTIN AUX JUMEAUX.

THE abbey of St. Martin aux Ju-  
meaux is an abbey of regular  
canons of St. Augustine, in the city  
of Amiens, in Picardy, at first  
founded for a community of secular  
clerks, by Guy bishop of Amiens, to  
whom the chapter of that cathedral  
gave considerable estates, A. D. 1073.  
These clerks became afterwards regu-

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DIOCESE OF AMIENS.

S. MARTIN AUX JUMEAUX.

lar canons of St. Augustine, A. D. 1109, and their community was turned into an abbey A. D. 1145.

De la Force, vol. III. p. 15.

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FANUM SANCTI VALERICI.

S T. V A L E R Y.

Saint Valery is a town situate at the mouth of the river Somme, four leagues below Abbeville, in the diocese of Amiens, where there is an abbey of Benedictine monks, founded by king Clothaire, A. D. 613, whose abbat enjoys an annual income of 13000, and the monks 9500 livres.

De la Force, vol. III. p. 20.

Takeley

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S. VALERY.

DIOCESE OF AMIENS.

Takeley in Essex was an alien priory, cell to the abbey of St. Valery, in Picardy, to which the manor of Takeley was given by Henry I. Tanner's *Notitia*, p. 125.

Salmon's Essex, p. 100. Morant, in his account of the parish of Takely.

*Monaesticon*, tom. II. p. 1003. a.

*Rot. Fin.* 31 E. III. m. 1.

**DIOCESE OF ANGERS.****A N D E G A V U M.****A N G E R S.**

Angers is a bishop's see, and the capital of the province of Anjou.

Here is the Benedictine abbey of St. Nicholas, founded by Fulk de Nera, earl of Anjou.

The annual income of the abbat is 10 or 12,000 livres.

De la Force, Nouv. Descr. de la France, vol. VI. p. 162.

At Wileketone, Willoughton, or Wylyton, in Lincolnshire, is said to have been an alien priory. Maud the empress did indeed give the church, or à moiety out of it, to the abbey of St.

Nicholas

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S. NICHOLAS.

DIOCESE OF ANGERS.

Nicholas by Angiers ; and that abbey had a pension out of it ; and a manor in Willoughton, lately belonging to that abbey, was granted by Henry VI. to King's college, Cambridge. But it is not certain there was a priory of monks here. Tanner's *Notitia*, p. 268.

At Kirkby or Monks-Kirby, in Warwickshire, was an alien priory of Benedictine monks, cell to this abbey, which owed its origin to the large grant of lands and tithes of this and other neighbouring towns, by Geoffrey de Winchia, or Wirce, A. D. 1077, to that foreign monastery. This cell, as well as the head house, was dedicated to St. Nicholas, and after many seizures during the wars with

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**DIOCESE OF ANGERS.**

**S. NICHOLAS.**

cholas at Angiers in France, a cell  
of Benedictine monks settled at a  
hamlet in this parish, since called  
Ascot. Ib. p. 26.

Pat. 4. H. V. part. i. m. 20.

Monast. Angl. tom. II. p. 1000. a.

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FONTEVRAULT.

DIOCESE OF ANGERS.

FONS EVRAUDI, vel EBRALDI.

F O N T E V R A U L T .

A celebrated abbey of Benedictine monks and nuns, in Anjou, a league from the Seine, founded A. D. 1100, by Robert de Arbriselle, for monks and nuns. The monks are governed by the abbefs, who is called Chef & Superieure Generale tant des Religieux que des Religieuses de cet Institut. See Longuerue, Description Hist. & Geographique de la France ancienne & moderne, fol. Paris 1722. p. 153.

Many convents in France are cells to this monastery. Henry II. of England, was a great benefactor to it, and lies buried in the choir of its church,

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church, with his wife Eleanor, his son Richard I. king of England, and Isabel de Angoulesme, 3d wife of John, king of England, his 3d son, who died a nun here. Their monuments are engraven in Sandford's Genealogical History of the Kings of England, p. 64. Rapin's History of England, vol. I. p. 242. fol. and in Monfaucon's Monumens de la Monarchie Françoise, tom. II. p. 114.

Monaft. Anglic. tom. II. p. 948. 58.

975. a.

Rot. Vascon. de anno 1, 2, &  
4 Edw. II. memb. 26. n. 7.

Pro abbatissa & monialibus de monasterio Fontis Ebraldi ad recipiendum arreragia centum et triginta librarum Turonensium annuarum pro insula  
de

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de Oleron. Data apud Westminster.

15 die Martii, anno 2 Ed. II.

Rot. Vascon. de annis 13 & 14 Ed. II. anno 14 Ed. II. m. 1. dorso. De solvendo redditus et arreragia in insula Oleronii abbatissæ et monialibus Fontis Ebroldi. Teste rege apud Westminster. 26 Maii.

At de la Grave, or Grove, now Grovebury, in the parish of Leighton in the county of Bedford, was an alien priory belonging to this abbey. See Tanner's Notitia, p. 6.

Robert Bossu earl of Leicester, founded temp. Hen. II. at Nun Eaton in Warwickshire, a priory for nuns of the order of Fontevrauld, wherein, besides the prioress and nuns, there was for some time a prior also, perhaps

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perhaps with men as usually in the

perhaps with men, as usually in the foreign houses of this order. Ib.

P. 578.

Buck engraved an E. view of its  
ruins, 1729.

The abbess and nuns of Ambrosbury, in Wiltshire, being, A.D. 1177, expelled from thence for their ill lives, Henry II. placed herein a priores and 24 nuns, from Font Ebrald, in Normandy, to which monastery this house was for some time subject, but at length was made denizon, and became again an abbey. Tanner's *Notitia*, p. 589.

Eustachia de Say and her son Osbert Fitz Hugh, having given the church of Westwood, near Droitwich in Worcestershire, and other lands there to

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the abbey of Fontevrauld in France, temp. Hen. II. here was shortly after a small priory, dedicated to the Blessed Virgin, for six nuns of the order of Fontevrauld. Ib. p. 624.

Cart. 9 E. I. m. 1. Pro monialibus de Ambresbir.

Edward I. in the 20th year of his reign, commanded the heart of his father Henry III. to be delivered to the abbeys of Font-Evrauld, to be interred in that nunnery, according to his promise in his lifetime, which the abbat of Westminster accordingly delivered to her 20 years after his decease, in the presence of sundry bishops, nobles, and others, by the king's command. See Patent 20 E. I. m. 20. De

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corde

corde regis Henrici liberato abbatissæ  
Fontis Ebroldi ad sepeliendum in  
monasterio suo. Prynne's Life of  
King John, King Henry III. and  
King Edward I. p. 474.

Mary, sixth daughter of Edward I.  
being a nun at Ambrosbury, the  
king granted her 40 oaks each year,  
20 tun of wine, and several manors  
of above the value of £.200 a year  
for her maintenance, by patents;  
which see Pat. 30 E. I. m. 14.  
Pro Maria filia regis moniale de  
Ambresbur. See Prynne's Life of  
King John, p. 937.

She was afterwards a nun at Font-  
Evraud. Sandford, p. 143.

## FONTEVRAULT.

The monuments of Henry II. Richard I. &c. at Fontevrault, are at present enclosed within the grate in that part of the church where the abbess and nuns assemble for public devotion ; and no interest or intreaties can procure admittance into this sacred partition.—Four solemn requiem and services are said every year for the repose of the souls of these princes ; and the church was repaired and beautified in 1638, by order of the abbess of Fontevrault. Besides its high antiquity it has ever been considered as one of the most honourable and important ecclesiastical benefices in France. Many princesses of the blood have successively governed it.

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The revenues are immense. The number of religious of both sexes under the abbess's direction amount to more than 200 ; and her authority both spiritual and temporal is exceedingly extensive. *Ib. II. 400.*

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J. SIERGE.

## DIOCESE OF ANGERS.

## S. SERGIUS & S. BACHUS.

## S. SIERGE ou S. SERGE D'ANGERS.

Called also in old writings St. Bathus, or St. Bach, and St. Medard, is a Benedictine abbey in the province of Anjou, founded, according to some authors, by Reomenus, prince of Brittany ; others say, by Childebert, king of France. The annual income of the abbat is about 6500 livres.

De la Force, Nouvelle Descript. de la France, vol. VI. p. 162.

The church of St. Andrew at Swavesey, in Cambridgeshire, with the tithes thereunto belonging, being given temp. Will. Conq. by Alan Rufus, or la Zufche, or Zouch earl of Britanny and Richmond, to the

abbey of St. Sergius and Bachus, it became a cell of Benedictine monks to that foreign monastery. After that the alien priories during the wars with France were often seized, this was given, or rather sold, by the French abbat and convent, to the priory of St. Anne, near Coventry, by licence from king Richard II. and afterward confirmed by authority of parliament, 6 Hen. IV. Tanner's Notitia, p. 41.

Totness in Devonshire was an alien priory, cell to the abbey of St. Sergius and St. Bachus at Angiers, to which the church of St. Mary there, and several other lands, were given by Johel fil. Aluredi temp. Will. Conq. The monks here were of the Cluniac,

or

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or Benedictine order, and were not dissolved temp. Hen. V. but continued till the general suppression, when it was valued at £.24. 9s. 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ d. per ann. as Dugdale; or as Speed and Stevens, £.124. 10s. 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ d. Ib. p. 89.

Truwardraith, Tuwardraz, or Tywardreit, in the deanry of Powder in Cornwall, was an alien priory of Benedictine monks, belonging to the abbey of St. Sergius and Bachus, in Angiers, founded before A. D. 1169, by Champernulphus or Chambernon, of Bere, lord of the manor of Tywardreith, or by the ancestors of Robert de Cardinan, perhaps Robert Fitz-William. Annual value at the suppression £.123. 9s. 3d. Ib. p. 70.

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Minster,

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Minster, in the deanry of Trigg Minor, in Cornwall, was also an alien priory belonging to this abbey.  
*Ibid.* p. 71.

Monasticon, tom. I. p. 572.

Rot. Pip. 13 E. III.

Pat. 48 E. III. part. 2. m. 23.

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S. F L O R E N T I U S .

S. FLORANT D E SAUMUR.

A Benedictine abbey in the province of Anjou, founded by the emperor Charlemagne, and rebuilt by Lewis le Debonnaire and Charles the Bald. This monastery was situate in a place at that time called *le Mont Glonna*, which was famous on account of the death of St. Florentinus.

rentinus. The Normans destroyed it about A. D. 947, and drove the monks from thence. Thibaud earl of Tours, Blois, and Chartres, collected the remains of the community of St. Florant *le Vieux*, and built them a monastery in the castle of Saumur, A. D. 950. Fulk Nerra, earl of Anjou, having besieged and taken Saumur, destroyed the abbey of St. Florant, and the monks were obliged to retire a quarter of a league from Saumur, where the abbey of St. Florant is at present, whose abbat enjoys an annual income of about 20000 livres.

De la Force, vol. VI. p. 162.

Monafticon, tom. II. p. 973. a.

Pat. 2 R. II. part. 2. m. 24.

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The church of St. Mary, at Andover, in Hampshire, with the appurtenances, viz. a hyde of land, several rents, &c. being given to the French abbey of St. Florence, at Salmur in Anjou, by king William the Conqueror, it became a cell to that monastery.  
Tanner's Notitia, p. 158.

Wihenoc de Monemue, or Monmouth, temp. Hen. I. brought over a convent of black monks from St. Florence, near Salmur in Anjou, and placed them first in the church of St. Cadoc, near the castle, and after in the church of St. Mary at Monmouth. It was made denison, and at the suppression valued at £.56. 1s. 11d. per annum. Ib. p. 26.

Spurle,

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Sporle, in Norfolk, was an alien priory of black monks belonging to the abbey of St. Florence, near Salmur. Mr. Blomefield ascribes its foundation to Henry II. who was earl of Anjou, and in whose reign it existed. Hist. of Norf. III. 443. It was given to Eton college by Henry VI. Tanner's Notitia, p. 358.

William de Braiofa having, A. D. 1075, given to the abbey of St. Florence at Salmur, the churches of St. Peter at Sele; St. Nicholas at Bramber, St. Nicholas at Shoreham, and some others in Sussex, there was soon after fixed a convent of Benedictine monks from that foreign monastery, which was made denizon 19 R. II. valued at £.29. 9s. 9d. per annum,  
and

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and to St. Mary Magdalen college,  
Oxford. Ib. p. 552.

Monasticon, tom. I. p. 552. 580.  
600.

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S T. M A U R I C E   D ' A N G E R S .

See a confirmation from Henry II.  
to the bishop and canons of St. Maurice  
of Anjou, of the donations made  
to them by Henry I. with divers  
franchises and immunities. Mad. For-  
mulare, No. LXXXV.

The west end of the cathedral  
church of St. Maurice was published  
some years since “ à Paris, chez  
“ Jacques Chereau, Rue St. Jacques,  
“ au grand St. Remy. Avec Privilege  
“ du Roy.”

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S. LUCIEN.

DIOCESE OF BEAUVAIIS.

DIOCESE OF BEAUVAIIS.

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S T. L U C I E N.

Beauvais is a city, and a bishop's see, in the ifle of France, where is a magnificent Benedictine abbey, called St. Lucien-lez-Beauvais, where the monks pretend they have the body of that saint.

De la Force, vol. II. p. 437.

At Wedon Pinkney, in the county of Northampton, was a Benedictine priory, dedicated to St. Mary, founded by Gilo de Wedon, lord here, and cell to St. Lucian, near Beauvais, as early probably as the reign of Henry I.

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It was liberally endowed by several of the Pinkenies, who were lords here. But the wars between England and France hindering the monks of St. Lucian from enjoying the revenues of it, they sold their right, A. D. 1392, to the abbat and convent of Bittleden, in Buckinghamshire, who enjoyed it not long, for about A. D. 1440, it was made part of the endowment of All Souls college, in Oxon.

Tanner's *Notitia*, p. 378.

*Monaasticon*, tom. I. p. 584.

Bridges's *Northamptonshire*, I. 256.

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SEAUVE MAJEUR.

DIOCESE OF BOURDEAUX.

DIOCESE OF BOURDEAUX.

ABBATIA SILVÆ MAJORIS.

ABBAYE DE LA SEAUVE MAJEUR.

This is an abbey of Benedictine monks in the city of Bourdeaux, founded by St. Gerard, disciple of St. Arnoul, bishop of Soifsons, A. D. 1077, and dedicated to the Virgin Mary.

De la Force, vol. IV. p. 223.

At Burwell in Lincolnshire was an alien priory of Benedictine monks, given by some of the lords of Kyme to the abbey of St. Mary Silvæ Majoris, near Bourdeaux. Tanner's Notitia, p. 281.

Monasticon, tom. I. p. 579.

Rot.

Rot. Vasconiæ de anno 19 Hen. VI.  
memb. 2. De confirmatione pro ab-  
bate monasterii et conventu ecclesiæ  
B. M. de Silva Majore de libertatibus  
suis et aliis concessis per cartas Alienoræ  
reginæ, et Ricardi primi regis Angliæ.  
Teste Rege apud Westminster. 28 die  
Junii.

Rot. Vasconiæ de anno 14 E. II.  
m. 8. dorso. De defendendo abbatem  
Silvæ Majoris super mercato et jurif-  
ditione ibidem. Teste Rege apud  
Haddeley, 26 Julii.

## DIOCESE OF CHALONS.

CISTERCIUM.

CISTEAUX.

The abbey of Cîteaux, or Citeaux, is a magnificent house, chief of the order of Cistercians, first established here 1098, situated in the diocese of Châlons, in the province of Burgundy. It was built by Eudo duke of Burgundy, A. D. 1068, and has several considerable privileges. The abbat is *Confiliarius natus* in the parliament of Burgundy, superior general of his order, and of five orders of knighthood which belong to it in the kingdoms of Spain and Portugal.

De la Force, vol. III. p. 253.

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## T I R O N I U M .

## T I R O N .

Tiron is a town situate two leagues from Nogent-le-Rotrou, in the province of Orleannois, where there is a Benedictine abbey, founded A. D. 1109, by Bernard de Abbeville, companion to Robert de Arbriffel (founder of the abbey of Font-Evraud). This Bernard was the first abbat, and his successors enjoy an annual income of about 4000 livres.

The order of St. Maur was introduced here, 1629.

De la Force, vol. X. p. 144.

Hamele, or Hamelrise, in Hampshire, was an alien priory of Cistercian monks, cell to the abbey of Tiron

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TIRON.

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rone in France, dedicated to St. Andrew. These monks were settled here in the time of Henry Blois, bishop of Winchester. Tanner's Notitia, p. 178.

Monasticon, tom. II. 958. 40.

See Rot. Pip. 13 E. III.

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S. J A C U T Y.

D I O C E S E O F D O L .

S. J A C U T U S .

S T. J A C U T , or J A G U .

A Benedictine abbey built in the fifth century; in the province of Britanny.

De la Force, vol. VIII. p. 188.

The church of Lynton in Cambridgeshire, is said to have been given to the abbey of St. Jacutus de Insula, in the diocese of Dole in Britanny, by an earl of Britanny. An alien priory subordinate to this abbey occurs temp. Hen. III. Tanner's Notitia, p. 48.

Vid. Inquis. gen. com. Cantab.  
temp. Ed. I.

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S. JACUT.

DIOCESE OF DOL.

At Ifelham in Cambridgeshire, was  
a priory dedicated to St. Margaret,  
and cell to this abbey. Tanner's  
Notitia, p. 50.

Pat. 33 E. III, pars 2. m. 2,

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## DIOCESE OF LANGRES.

CLARAVALLIS.

CLAIRVAUX.

An abbey of Benedictine monks, in a small town of its name on the river Aube, in the province of Champagne, of which the celebrated St. Bernard was first abbat, 1116, founded by Hugo earl of Troyes the year before, and afterwards enriched by Theobald earl of Champagne, and by the earls of Flanders, more especially by Philip and Matilda his wife. The annual income is about 60000 livres.

Its church is large and fine, but not much adorned.

De la Force, vol. III. p. 82.

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CLAIRVAUX.

DIOCESE OF LANGRES.

William de Ipre, earl of Kent, who afterwards became monk at Laon in France) founded at Boxley in Kent, A. D. 1146, an abbey of Cistertian monks, from Claravelle in Burgundy, (Tanner's *Notitia*, p. 213.) Its church was famous for a rood, which was contrived to move its eyes, hands and feet, till the imposture was detected by Cromwell and Cranmer, and the figure publicly burnt. •

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## DIOCESE OF LIMOGES.

## GRANDMONT LIMOUSIN.

The abbey of Grandmont, situate in the Haute Marche, in the province of Limousin, is the chief or head abbey of an order of that name. This order, which varied somewhat from that of St. Benedict, was instituted about A. D. 1076, by St. Stephen de Thiern, or Tiers, a gentleman of Auvergne, surnamed de Muret, because it was on a mountain of that name that he first settled this convent, which after his death was translated to Grandmont by his monks. This order was governed by priors till A. D. 1318, when William Belliceri was appointed abbat.

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GRANDMONT.

DIOCESE OF LIMOGES,

The church and convent built by Henry I. and II. and Richard I. king of England, are entirely ruined, and were not rebuilt in La Force's time, but the society resided in a small building lately erected, the abbat general having no fund but his savings to build with.

De la Force, vol. XI. p. 381.

Warine, sheriff of Shropshire, and a great warrior against the Welsh, founded near Alberbury, or Abberbury, in Shropshire, the new abbey for Black monks of the order of Grandmont Limosin, temp. Hen. I, when they were first brought into England. Tanner's Notitia, p. 449.

Dugdale's Monasticon, vol. I. p. 605.

The preface to bishop Tanner's Not. Mon. p. xv. makes Cresswell in Herefordshire, and Eskdale in Yorkshire, of this order, though in their respective articles, p. 177. 679. they are made cells to the abbey of Grandmont in Normandy. See before, p. 43, 44.

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D I O C E S E O F M A N S.

D I O C E S E O F M A N S.

P E R S E N I A.

P E R S E I G N E.

A Cistercian abbey belonging to Normandy, though in the diocese of Mans, founded A. D. 1145, by William Talvas earl of Alençon, Seez, and Bellefme.

Neustria Pia, p. 817.

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D I O C E S E   O F   M A N S .

S. CALAIS,

S. K A R I L E F U S.

S A I N T   C A R I L E F ,   v u l g o   S. C A L A I S .

This abbey of St. Carilef, vulgo St. Calais, is in the city of Mans, a bishop's see, capital of the territory of Maine, which is the N. part of Orleansis. It is an abbey of Benedictine monks, originally founded, as it is supposed, by Saint Thuribe bishop of Mans. St. Carilef, alias S. Calais, having rebuilt this abbey at the end of the sixth century, it is now called by his name. The income of the monks is 9000 livres, and that of the abbat about 10000 livres.

De la Force, vol. V, p. 192.

Some lands at Covenham, in Lincolnshire, being given, about A. D.

1082,

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SC. CALAIS.

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1082, to the abbey of St. Karilefus, in the diocese of Mans, by William the Conqueror, at the instance of William [de Carilefo] bishop of Durham, there were settled a prior and Benedictine monks from that foreign monastery, to which it continued a cell under the patronage of the bishops of Durham, till it was made over, 31 Ed. I. to the abbat and convent of Kirkstede, in whom it continued till the dissolution. Tanner's *Notitia*, p. 252.

*Monasticon*, tom. I. p. 555.

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S. VINCENT.

MONASTERIUM S. VINCENTII IN  
CENEMONIA.

S. V I N C E N T.

This is an abbey of Benedictine monks, situate in the suburbs of the city of Mans, founded in the sixth century, by St. Domnolus, bishop of Mans. The annual income of the abbat is about 36000 livres.

De la Force, vol. V. p. 191.

Hamelin Balon, or Baladun, one of those who came over with the Conqueror, founded in the latter end of his reign, or the beginning of William Rufus, a priory at Bergavenny, or Abergavenny, in Monmouthshire, to the honour of the Blessed Virgin. One of his posterity, William de Breosa,

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S. VINCENT.

DIOCESE OF MANS.

t. John, gave the tithes of the castle, and other privileges, on condition that the abbat of St. Vincent, at Mans, would send over hither a convent of their Benedictine monks. So it seems to have been for some time an alien priory, cell to that foreign house, and continued till the dissolution, when it was valued at £.129. 5s. 8d. per annum. Tanner's *Notitia*, p. 328.

*Monafticon*, tom. I. p. 556.

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## DIOCESE OF MASCON

## CLUNIACUM.

## C L U G N Y.

Clugny is a town situate upon the river Gofne, in the province of Burgundy. It is famous for its abbey, which is the chief or head abbey of the order of Clugny, instituted A. D. 912, by Odo abbat of this abbey, which was founded A. D. 910, by William the first, duke of Aquitaine and Auvergne, on his own see. Its church is the largest in France, being 620 feet in length, and 120 in width. The annual income of the abbat is 40000, and that of the monks about 60000 livres.

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CLUGNY.

DIOCESE OF MÂCON.

De la Force, vol. IV. p. 157 and  
335.

This church was built by Saint Hugh, and consecrated by Pope Innocent II. and has double transepts, the upper of which is 200 feet long, the lower 120. A great number of eminent personages have been buried in it. Cardinal Bouillon had erected a sumptuous mausoleum for himself, but, on his quitting France against the king's orders, the king caused it to be demolished. The treasury was one of the richest in the kingdom, before it was thrice plundered by the Calvinists, who are said to have got above two millions the last time. The library was full of MSS. An old catalogue makes their number 1800. Ib.

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William the Conqueror is said to have first founded a monastery at Mons Acutus, or Montacute, in Somersetshire; but William earl of Moreton seems to have more amply endowed it, and granted it to the monks of Clugny, in the beginning of the reign of Henry I. Tanner's *Notitia*, p. 467.

In the beginning of the reign of king Henry I. William Peverell built a priory at Lenton in Nottinghamshire to the honour of the Holy Trinity, and made it subject to the great foreign abbey of Clugny. Ib. p. 402.

At St. Helen's, in the Isle of Wight, was a priory of Cluniac monks, before A. D. 1155, who being aliens, their revenues were

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CLUGNY.

DIOCESE OF MASCON.

seized by king Edward II. and III.  
during their wats with France, but  
restored by Henry IV. Ib. p. 163.

Mr. Stow says, that there was one  
hospital in St. Andrew's, Holbourn,  
another in the street without Alders-  
gate, and another near Cripplegate,  
cells to the house of Clugny in France,  
which were suppressed 3 Hen. V.  
among the priories alien. If there  
were such, probably they were  
founded before the reign of king  
Edward III. whose seizures of all  
estates belonging to the French ab-  
bies discouraged all foundations of  
that kind. Ib. p. 319.

Monasticon, tom. II. p. 1006. b.

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LA CHARITE'.

DIOCESE OF NEVERS.

PRIORATUS DE CARITATE.

LA CHARITE'.

La Charité is a priory situate upon the river Loire, in the province of Nivernois, founded by a powerful lord named Roland, first at Seyr, about A. D. 700, for monks of St. Basil; destroyed by the Vandals 743; re-founded by king Pepin for Benedictines, and after a second destruction 755, by William II. earl of Nevers, &c. for Cluniacs. Its present name was given it on account of the charities given by the Cluniac monks of this rich priory, the prior whereof is lord spiritual and temporal of the town.

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LA CHARITE'.

DIOCESE OF NEVERS.

De la Force, vol. X. p. 386.

Roger of Montgomery, earl of Arundel, Chichester and Shrewsbury, endowed and built a monastery at Wenlock in Shropshire, 14 William the Conqueror, placing therein a prior and convent of Cluniac monks, who were looked upon as a cell to the house De Caritate in France. Tanner's Notitia, p. 444.

Of the beautiful ruins of Wenlok we have views by Buck, 1731. Grose, 1774. P. Sandby in the Virtuosi's Museum, 1778.

Aylwin Child, citizen of London, about the year 1082, began a new and fair church to the honour of our holy Saviour, with design to place therein a convent of monks of the Cluniac

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LA CHARITE.

order, who were procured from the priory De Caritate in France, by means of Archbishop Lanfranc, A. D. 1089, about which time king William Rufus augmented the small estate which Aylwin had procured for these religious, with the grant of the manor of Bermondsey, and other revenues. Tanner's *Notitia*, p. 535.

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S. BERTIN.

DIOCESE OF S. OMERS.

## DIOCESE OF ST. OMERS.

S. B E R T I N U S.

S T. B E R T I N .

St. Omers is a city of the French Netherlands, in the province of Artois, and the see of a bishop, where is the ancient and famous abbey, founded A. D. 626, by St. Bertinus, the companion of St. Omer, into which the Cluniacs were introduced, A. D. 1101. Its annual income is upwards of 100000 livres.

De la Force, vol. II. p. 91.

Thurlegh, Trewelegh, or Throuley, in Kent, was an alien priory of Cluniac monks, cell to this abbey. Tanner's *Notitia*, p. 222.

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S. BENOIT.

DIOCESE OF ORLEANS.

S. BENEDICT, *supra LEYR,*

ABBAYE DE FLEURY, ou DE SAINT BE-  
NOIT SUR LOIRE.

An abbey of Benedictine monks,  
founded about A. D. 623, by Leode-  
bod, abbat of Saint-Aignan at Or-  
leans. The income of the abbat is  
about 18000 livres per annum.

De la Force, vol. X. p. 138.

Ranulph de Meschines, earl of  
Chester, before the year 1129, gave  
the church of St. Andrew, at Minting  
in Lincolnshire, to this abbey, where-  
upon an alien priory of Benedictine  
monks was fixed here. Tanner's No-  
titia, p. 257.

Monasticon, tom. I, p. 592.

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S. VICTOR.

DIOCESE OF PARIS.

DIOCESE OF PARIS.

ABBATIA S. VICTORIS PARISIIS.

The ROYAL ABBEY of ST. VICTOR  
at PARIS.

Dugdale mentions this abbey as being first founded by William de Campellis, archdeacon of Paris, Mon. Angl. II. p. 948. 16. but Germain Brice, in his Description de la Ville de Paris, tom. II. p. 358. thinks it was first endowed by Louis le Gros, king of France, for regular canons, whom he settled there.

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PRIORATUS S. MARTINI DE CAMPIS  
PARISIIS.

ST. MARTIN DES CHAMPS AT PARIS.

A very antient and rich priory of Cluniac monks, whose income is above 45000 livres per annum.

At Barnstaple in Devonshire was a cell to this abbey, which was afterwards made denison, and continued till the general suppression, when it was valued at £.123. 6s. 7d.. Tanner's Notitia, p. 90.

Baldwin de Redveriis, or Rivers, earl of Devonshire, gave the chapel of St. James without Exeter, with the tithes and other estates, to the head monastery of St. Peter at Cluny, and to the abbey of St. Martin de Campis,

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DIOCESE OF PARIS.

Campis, near Paris, before A. D. 1146, that a prior and some monks of that order might be fettled here; which was accordingly done, and it became subordinate to this last mentioned house. After its suppression, Henry VI. gave its lands to King's college, Cambridge. Ib. p. 92.

A large view of Notre Dame\* at Paris, by Anthony Aveline; Paris, no date.

Large plan of ditto; Paris, chez Jaubert.

Beautiful view of the altar-piece of ditto; Paris, chez Marriette.

View of the choir, the pictures, &c. by the same.

\* This and the following plates are here enumerated as curiosities, though belonging to a different church.

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S. MARTIN DES CHAMPS.

Plan of the new pavement, by the  
fame.

Roman antiquities found under the  
altar of ditto, 1711. F. Delamonce  
del. G. Scotin major sculp. in a tract  
entitled "Observations sur les Monu-  
" mens d'Antiquité trouvez dans  
" l'Eglise Cathedrale de Paris. Par  
" M. Moreau de Mautour." 4to.  
Paris, 1711.

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S. DENYS.

DIOCESE OF PARIS.

S. D I O N Y S I U S.

S T. D E N Y S.

An abbey of Benedictine monks not far from Paris, built and founded A. D. 639, by Dagobert king of France, and since that time much enriched by his successors. Many of the French kings are buried in the church belonging to this abbey.

Hist. de l'Abbaye Royale de St. Denys en France, par Dom. Michel Felibien, fol. Paris, 1706, with views of this abbey, and many prints.

South view of the church of St. Dennis. J. Marot fecit; à Paris, chez Pierre Marriette.

Edward the Confessor gave the monastery of Deerhurst in Gloucester-shire,

shire, with all the lands belonging thereunto, to the abbey of St. Denys in France, to which it became a cell of Benedictine monks. It had eight lordships, and was accounted worth 300 marks by the year, when it was sold by the abbat and convent of St. Denys, to Richard earl of Cornwall; A. D. 1250. It was made denizon in the French wars of Henry VI.; but this denization was afterwards annulled, and that king granted it to Eton college, anno reg. 26. Edward IV. gave it successively to Foderinghay\* and Eton colleges, and Tewkesbury abbey; and at the dissolution it was

\* Foderinghay college was not suppressed till the reign of king Edward VI.

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S. DENYS.

DIOCESE OF PARIS.

made private property. Tanner's Notitia, p. 140.

See also Domesday in Gloucestershire, Derheft hundred.

At Riddrefield, now Rotherfield, in Sussex, lands being given by Berthwald duke of the South Saxons, about the year 800, to the abbey of St Denys in France, a convent of monks from that house were fixed here. Ib. p. 549. The church is dedicated to St. Dennis.

Monasticon, tom. I. p. 547. tom. II. p. 984. b.

This abbey had possessions at *Wilt* in Worcestershire; and at *Trigstone* in Oxfordshire. Domesday.

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CHASTILLON.

DIOCESE OF PERIGORD.

C A S T E L L I O .

C H A S T I L L O N .

An abbey dedicated to St. Peter (order and founder unknown), situated in the town of Chastillon\*, in the province of Guienne in Fronce, 16 miles east of Bourdeaux.

See grant of this abbey to the Cistercian abbey of Bordesley in Worcestershire of tithes at Wotton and Lan gelega, dat. A. D. 1231. Madox Formulare, No. DXXXVI.

\* De la Force (VII. 297.) makes no mention of an abbey at *Castillon* in Guienne; but at *Chastillon*, in Burgundy, were several convents and an hospital, dedicated to St. Peter. Ib. IV. 102.

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MONTIER-NEUF.

DIOCESE OF POITIERS.

### DIOCESE OF POITIERS.

MONASTERIUM NOVUM S. JOHANNIS  
PICTAVIÆ.

MONTIER-NEUF.

An abbey of Cluniac monks, in the city of Poitiers, the capital of the province of Poitou, and the see of a bishop. It was founded by Geoffrey earl of Poitiers, and duke of Aquitaine, A. D. 1068, and endowed by William VII. duke of Aquitaine his son, A. D. 1077. This is the only Cluniac monastery that has retained the title of abbey. Its annual income is 6000 livres.

De la Force, vol. VIII. p. 44.

Monafticon, tom. II. p. 991.

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F O U G E R E S .

Fougeres is a town in Brittany, situate upon the river of Couesnon, on the borders of Normandy, where there is a priory of the order of St. Augustine, founded about A.D. 1163.

De la Force, vol. VIII. p. 282.

The manor of Ipelpen (in the deanry of Ipelpen, and archdeaconry of Totness) in Devonshire was given by the Conqueror to Ralph de Fulgeriis; and, by one of that family, the church and some lands here were given to the priory of St. Peter de

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FOUGERES.

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Fulgeriis in Brittany; so it became a cell to that house. Tanner's Notitia,

P. 93.

Monafticon, tom. II. p. 1012. b.

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S. M E L A I N E.

St. Melaine at Rennes (the ancient *Condare*, and called in modern Latin *Redones*) is an abbey of Benedictine monks, founded by Solomon II. A. D. 630, or 648, or by Paternus bishop of Avranches, in the province of Brittany.

De la Force, vol. VIII. p. 169.

Aubrey de Vere, the second of that name, father to the earl of Oxford,

before A. D. 1140, gave the church of St. Mary at Hatfield Regis or Broadoke, in Essex, to the monks of St. Melanius at Redon in Brittany, upon which it probably became a cell to that foreign abbey. Tanner's *Notitia*, p. 127.

See his son the earl's confirmation charter in Salmon's *Essex*, p. 86. His son Robert was buried here, and his effigies crofs-legged in stone still remains on the N. side of the altar. Dr. Hutton, in his collections from the London register, found that this church was dedicated to St. Melorius, quere, Melanius. Tanner's *Notitia*, ib.

## DIOCESE OF RHEIMS.

S. REMIGIUS.

S. REMY at REIMS.

Rheims or Reims is the capital of the province of Champagne in France, one of the most elegant cities in that kingdom, and the see of an archbishop. In this city is the Benedictine abbey of St. Remy, founded about the middle of the sixth century, whereof Turpin archbishop of Reims was the first abbat, about A. D. 770, and his successors, till 945, filled both places. Its annual income is 32000 livres for the abbat, and 2000 for the monks.

The church was finished A. D. 880, rebuilt 1018, its porch, towers, &c. 1162. South porch 1481. It is a

large handsome building, but dark. Its beautiful Mosaic pavement full of scripture histories, &c. was made by a monk of this house in the thirteenth century. The tomb of St. Remy, erected 1531, contains his shrine and the Sainte Ampoule, or holy phial, containing the oil where-with the kings of France are anointed. Most of the archbishops of Rheims before the eleventh century are buried here. The monastery is a spacious structure, and has a good library.

De la Force, vol. III. p. 207-216.

Lappele in Staffordshire was an alien priory of Black monks, from the abbey of St. Remigius at Rheims, to which it was given, temp. Ed. Conf. by Algar earl of Chester or Mercia.

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S. REMY.

DIOCESE OF RHEIMS.

Upon the frequent seizures of this estate into the king's hands during the wars with France, the foreign abbat and convent determined, about 4 Ric. II. to sell it to Thomas Cotterell, clerk, and his assigns. But this seems not to have taken effect, for this cell coming to the crown upon the general suppression of these kind of houses, was given by king Henry V. to Tong College in Shropshire, and so continued till the surrender of the same.

Tanner's *Notitia*, p. 492.

*Monasticon*, tom. I. p. 1022. tom. II. p. 993. a.

It had possessions at *Mepford* and *Rideware* in Staffordshire; and in the hundred of *Ovret* in Shropshire. *Domesday*.

THE CATHEDRAL AT RHEIMS, though not known to be connected with England, being one of the most superb structures of the kind, deserves to be mentioned for its beautiful W. front.

Le somptueux frontispice de l'Eglise Notre Dame de Rheims, by Deeson, 1625, prefixed to " Le dessin de l'Histoire de Reims. Par feu M. Nicolas Bergier. Reims, 1635." 4to.

The beautiful west end of the cathedral church of Notre Dame de Rheims, with the procession of Louis XV. at his coronation, October 23, 1722. Paris, chez De Mortain.

Plan of this church and the archbishop's palace. Ibid.

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BEGARD.

DIOCESE OF TREGUIER.

### DIOCESE OF TREGUIER.

B E G A R D U M.

B E G A R D, or B E G A R S.

A Cistercian abbey in the province of Britanny, founded A. D. 1135, by Stephen the Third, earl of Pen-thievre and Evoisa de Guingam his wife.

De la Force, vol. VIII. p. 183.

The abbey of Begare in Britanny having several estates in England, particularly in Lincolnshire and Yorkshire, there was a cell of alien monks of that abbey fixed at Begare, near Richmond in the county of York, temp. Hen. III. granted at the suppression

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pression successively to the chantry of St. Anne at Threfk, then to Eaton college, then to the priory of Mount-grace, and at last to Eaton college again. Tanner's *Notitia*, p. 683.

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MARMOUTIER.

DIOCESE OF TOURS.

DIOCESE OF TOURS.

MAJUS MONASTERIUM.

MARMOUTIER.

A Benedictine abbey in the suburbs of Tours, founded by St. Martin, and being the most considerable of the three monasteries founded by him, is for that reason called Majus Monasterium. It was destroyed by the Normans 853, restored for canons, and after for Benedictines. Its revenue is 18000 livres, and that of its abbot 16000. It has been united to the archbishopric of Tours.

De la Force, vol. XI. p. 25. 49.

Tykeford,

Tykeford, or Tickford, near Newport Pagnell in Buckinghamshire, was a cell of Cluniac monks subordinate to this abbey, to which this manor was given by Fulk Painel, in the reign of William Rufus. It was subjected by Henry IV. to the other cell of the Holy Trinity at York, and was dissolved for Cardinal Wolsey, being valued at £. 126. 17s. per ann. Tanner's *Notitia*, p. 24.

Trinity, or Christ Church, in the west part of the city of York, was a church dedicated to the Holy Trinity, in which were formerly canons endowed with lands, but these being dispersed, and their house almost ruined, Ralph Painell, by the favour of William the Conqueror, got possession

cession of it, and A. D. 1089, gave it to the Benedictine monks of St. Martin Marmoutier at Tours in France, who made it a cell to their abbey. It was made denizon by Henry VI. and valued at the dissolution at £. 109. 9*s.* 10*d.* per annum. *Ibid.* p. 641. Drake's York, p. 263.

Allerton Malleverer, in the deanry of Boroughbridge, and archdeaconry of Richmond, in Yorkshire, was an alien priory to this abbey, to which the church of St. Martin there, was given by Richard Malleverer, and confirmed to them by king Henry II. At the dissolution of foreign cells, Henry VI. gave it to King's college, Cambridge. *Ib.* p. 672.

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- Monasticon, tom. I. p. 563. 599.  
685. tom. II. p. 991. a.  
Pat. 46 E. III. pars 2. m. 45.  
Burton's Monast. Ebor. p. 258.
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**SEE** a fine west view of the Metropolitan Church of St. GRATIEN AT TOURS, engraved by Jacques Cherreau at Paris, no date.

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VIENNE.

DIOCESE OF VIENNE.

## DIOCESE OF VIENNE.

VIENNA.

V I E N N E.

Vienne, in the province of Dauphiné, is the see of an archbishop, and has an abbey of monks of the order of St. Augustine, dedicated to St. Anthony, which is the chief or head of that order.

It was at first an hospital, but was turned into an abbey by Pope Boniface VIII. Its annual income is about 40000 livres per annum.

De la Force, vol. IV. p. 53.

On the north side of Threadneedle-street, in the parish of St. Bennet Fink, was a synagogue of the Jews, A. D.

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**1231,** which was given by Henry III.  
to the brethren of St. Anthony of  
Vienne in France, who settled herein  
an hospital, consisting of a master,  
two priests, a school-master, and  
twelve poor brethren, besides their  
proctors and other officers and ser-  
vants. Tanner's *Notitia*, p. 314.

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DIOCESE OF GHENT.

ABBATIA S. PETRI JUXTA VILLAM DE  
GANDAVIO.

S T. P E T E R.

Ghent, a city of Austrian Flanders, and the see of a bishop, has an abbey of Benedictine monks, founded about A. D. 610, by Sigebert king of Austrasia, at the request of St. Amandus, and restored about A. D. 946, by Arnold earl of Flanders.

See Histoire Generale des Païs Bas, Brussells, 1720. 12mo. vol. II. p. 38. where there is a beautiful view of the cathedral.

Eltrude, niece to king Alfred, gave the manor of Lewisham in Kent to the abbey of St. Peter at Ghent, many

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years before the Conquest, upon which it became a cell of Benedictine monks to that house. Tanner's *Notitia*, p. 209. Hasted's Kent, I. 68.

See Domesday in Kent.

Edward III. founded a priory of friars aliens Minorites (Dominicans, according to Philpot) at Greenwich in Kent, which was made a cell to Ghent, and given afterwards to Shene. The manor of Greenwich belonged to St. Peter's abbey at Ghent, not by the gift of Edward III. but of more ancient donation, being part of the endowment of their cell at Lewisham, and with that was settled upon Shene. Weever, p. 339. Tanner's *Notitia*, p. 227. Hasted's Kent, I. 14.

*Monafticon*, tom. I. p. 550.

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P. PETER AT ROME.

ST. PETER at ROME,

ECCLESIA ROMANA BEATI PETRI  
APOSTOLI.

Tenuit de rege Peritone. Eddid regina tenebat tempore regis Edwardi. Ibi sunt vi hidæ; sed non geldebat nisi pro y hidis. Terra est xii carucatarum. De eis sunt in dominio iii hidæ, & ibi ii carucatæ, & iii servi, & xi villani, & iii bordarii, cum vi carucis. Ibi cl acræ prati, & cl acræ pasturæ. Redd' per annum xii libras.

Domesday, Somersetshire.

Mr. Clarke, in a letter to Mr. Bowyer, 1743, says, "In an indenture dated 1372, between Ed. III. and John of Gaunt, about the exchange of lands in Sussex, &c. mention is made of *Prioratus de Witbyham, qui est cella Abbatia St. Martini de Meremef* (or *Meremef*) *Turenæ*." He asks, "Is not this story of *Martin of Tours* conquering the hundred of Kemaes merely a Welsh legend? The Welsh History mentions no settlements in Wales before *Robert Fitzhamon* and his knights. But their heads were usually full of heroes; and from a saint, or reformer of an order, they have raised a conqueror of a country. I know Camden tells this story; but he tells it from Welsh Antiquaries, and they have no great weight with me."

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## A P P E N D I X.

### No. I.

An Account of Priories Alien belonging to King's College in Cambridge, &c. referring to the Notitia Monastica of Dr. Tanner, 8vo edition, 1695. Transcribed from Harleian MS. 7048. p. 65.

The pages in hooks refer to the 2d or folio edition.

Notitia Mon. p. 8. 82. [17 ed. fol.]

Stratfield Say priory is rightly placed in Berks, and now belongs to Eton college. The next parish is called Stratfield Sea, but in Hants.

P. 11. [67] The deanry of St. Burien was given by Henry VI. to King's college in Cambridge. Lit. Pat. Hen. VI. penes præpositum et scholares Coll. Regal. Cant. The bishop of Exeter now holds it in commendam of the crown\*. Additions to Camden, in Cornwall, p. 20.

P. 31. [68] St. Michael's Mount was given by H. VI. to King's college in Cainbridge, but Sion abbey got it from them. Lit. Pat. H. VI. penes eosdem.

P. 45. [92] The Cluniac priory of St. James at Exeter, founded by Baldwin

\* This is a strange mistake, for it has been, as it always was, an independent deanry in the gift of the crown : the present dean is the rev. Dr. Nicholas Boscowen, brother to Lord Falmouth, appointed 1756.

de Rivetiis, earl of Devon, was made a priory alien by Maud the empress, and given by her to St. Martin de Campis in Paris. Mon. Angl. tom. I. p. 644. Henry VI. and Edward VI. gave the revenues of it to King's college in Cambridge, who have enjoyed them ever since. Lit. Pat. Hen. VI. & Edw. IV. penes præpositum et scho-  
lares Coll. Regal. Cant. This priory was not in Exeter, but about a mile distant. All the monks with the prior were but few in number, and consequently this could not be that priory, worth (26 H. VIII.) £. 502. 12s. 9d. Mon. Angl. tom. I. p. 1025 \*. This priory is left out of

\* The reference should be p. 1039, where Dr. T. in 2d edition, p. 92, n. g. supposes it should be read £. 102. 12s. 9d. and that St. John's priory in this city was intended.

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the catalogue of the priories alien,  
suppressed 2 Hen. V. by the editors of  
the *Monafticon Anglicanum*.

P. 55. [106] Stower Preaux was an  
alien priory belonging to the nuns of  
St. Léger de Preaux in Normandy,  
given by Roger Beaumont concessu  
Willelmi Regis Expugnatoris Anglo-  
rum. Rogerius de Bellmonte Rotberti  
comitis Mellenti et Legrecestriæ, qui  
dedit prioratum de Toftes monachis Sti.  
Petri de Preaux. Neustria Pia, p. 524,  
Henry VI. and Edward IV. gave this  
priory and manor to King's college,  
Cambridge. Lit. Pat. Hen. VI. &  
Edw. IV. penes Coll. Regal Cant.

P. 84. [169] It should not be An-  
dover, but Andwell, which lies be-  
tween Basingstoke and Hartford-bridge.

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P. 150. [345] Toftes, a priory alien belonging to the monks of St. Peter de Preaux in Normandy. Henry VI. gave the priory to Eton college ; but Edward IV.\* to King's college in Cambridge. *Neuftria Pia*, p. 516. Mon. Angl. tom. III. p. 2. 198. Lit. Pat. Edw. IV. penes præpositum & scho-  
lares Coll. Regal Cant.

P. 155. [342] Lessingham was an alien priory belonging to Bec in Normandy. Gerard de Guernsey† gave the manor or priory, or both, to those monks. Mon. Angl. tom. II. p. 954. Henry VI. gave this priory to Eton college. Mon. Angl. tom. III. p. 2. 198. Edward IV. gave it to King's

\* See Edward the Fourth's charters to King's college and Eton in the Rolls of Parliament.

† Gournay.

college in Cambridge. Lit. Pat. E. IV.  
penes Coll.

P. 211. [512] Brisete was a priory of the order of St. Austin, founded by Ralph Fitz Brian, temp. H. I.; but afterward made a priory alien by William bishop of Norwich, who annexed it to the priory de Nobiliaco (Lemovien. dioc.) i. e. in the diocese of Limoges in France, viz. in the dutchy of Berry. Carta Will'i Ep'i Norwic. penes Coll. Regal. Cant. Jof. Scaligeri Galliae Notitia. Vide Catalogum Prioratum Alienig. suppressor. 2 Hen. V. Mon. Angl. tom. I. p. 1035. where Brisete is put among the priories alien then suppressed, but no mention made to what priory beyond sea it belonged.

Henry

Henry VI. gave the revenues of Briset priory to King's college in Cambridge. Lit. Pat. Hen. VI. penes præpositum et scholares Coll. Regal.

P. 215. [524] Kersey was a priory of canons of the order of St. Austin. Sir Henry Grey, lord Powis, gave this priory, and all the revenues of it, to King's college, Cambridge, pursuant to an act of parliament made 24 Hen. VI. V. Cartam Henrici Grey militis d'ni Powis penes eosdem dat. 16 Mar. 25 Hen. VI.

P. 229. [572] Wotton Wawen, a priory alien belonging to the abbey of St. Peter de Conches in Normandy, to which it was given by Robert de Tony & Nic. de Stafford. Monast. Angl. tom. I. p. 558.

Henry

Henry VI. and Edward IV. gave all that part of the revenues of this priory, which Robert de Tony and Nic. de Stafford gave to King's college, Cambridge, together with the manors of Mockley in Warwickshire, and West Wrotham in Norfolk, both belonging to this priory. Lit. Pat. Hen. VI. & Ed. IV. penes Coll. Reg. Cant.

P. 239. [599] Okeburn was the richest cell in England, belonging to Bec in Normandy. Henry VI. gave the reversion of the priory, and both the manors of Okeburn magna and Okeburn parva, to the university of Cambridge, who soon after surrendered their right to the reversions ; and then he gave the priory and  
two

two manors of Okeburn, and also many other manors belonging to Okeburn priory, to King's college, Cambridge.

Edward IV. confirmed the grant of John duke of Bedford of the tithes of Okeburn, to the dean and canon of Windsor, who now enjoy them, and no more. Carta H. VI. penes Coll. Regal. Cant. Carta Cancellarii et Univers. Cant. penes eosdem. Lit. Pat. Hen. VI. penes eosdem. Monast. Angl. tom. III.

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No. II.

Lands and Possessions of Alien Priories  
given by Henry VI. a. r. 20. 1442,  
to his College at ETON. Mon. Ang.  
III. part II. p. 197. Rot. Parl. 20  
Henry VI. vol. V. p. 47.

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A yearly pension of 40*s.* from Ful-  
bourne church to' Pantfield priory,  
**Effex.**

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The tithes of St. Mary Berwes \* in  
**Effex.**

A yearly rent of 12 marks from  
Montacute priory.

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Another of 20*s.* from Goldcliffe  
priory.

\* Quere Buers in Suffolk.

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£.16. rent from Edmund Clere,  
esq. for Lessingham priory.

Reversion of Horstede manor, held  
by William lord Bardolf.

Rent of 20 marks paid by Dr. Tho.  
Tuddenham for Dokkyng priory.

The priory and manor of Toftes  
cum pertinentiis.

£.30. annual rent from Sir William  
Philip, for Cretyngh and Everdon pri-  
ories, in Suffolk and Norfolk.

Priory of Sporle cum pertinentiis.

Rent of 13s. 4d. from Thetford  
priory to the abbey of Cluni.

Rent of £.70. 12s. from Sir John  
Steward, for the manor of Estwor-  
tham in Norfolk, and Bledlow, Bucks.

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£.7. from Henry Barette, for parcels at Endefston late belonging to St. Sever priory.

£.25. 6s. 8d. from Robert Vise, monk, and Walter Sergeant, for Stoke Courcy priory.

DORSET.

£.14. 8s. 4d. from Robert Parfite, clerk, for the manor of Hynepidle (Pidelhinton), late belonging to Mortaygne priory \*.

£.31. 6s. 8d. from Robert Chauntry, parson of Longbridy, for the revenues of Sturminster Marshall church, late parcel of the hospital of St. Giles at Pont Audomar †.

\* Hutchins' Dorseth. I. 578.

† Ibid. II. 132.

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S U R R Y.

£. 19. rent from John Arderne, esq.  
for the manor of Totyngbek.

Reversions of rents, &c. after the death of Humphrey duke of Gloucester, the king's uncle, in the following places, viz. 2 marks pension out of Horsham St. Faith's, Norfolk, due to the abbey of Conches; 40s. from Tikford priory, by Newport Pagnel, Bucks; £.4. from Folkston priory; £. 26. 13s. 8d. besides £. 11. 6s. 8d. from Darlegh priory; £. 7. 18s. 5d. from Southwik priory, Hants, for Colemere.

S U S S E X A N D H A N T S.

£. 23. 16s. 4d. from Sir Roger Fenys, treasurer of the household, for the manor of Hoo and Preston.

£.5. 13*s.* 2*d.* rent from Walter Strikland, esq. for lands, &c. in N. Mundam, Compton and Welegh, late parcel of Lucerne abbey in Normandy.

Reversion of 100*s.* from the prior of Lewes.

Reversion of Leomynstre priory, Sussex, held by Walter Strikland, esq.

£.8. from Walter Veer, esq. for St. Elen's priory in the Isle of Wight.

9 marks and 4*d.* from John Arderne, esq. and Walter Eston, clerk, for Elyngham priory.

#### W I L T S.

£.40. from Walter Everard and Richard Tourbre, for Clatford priory (misprinted in the Rolls Chatford).

£.22. from John Staunford of Rinhale, for Charlton manor.

#### Lands

Lands and Possessions of Alien Priories  
granted by H. VI. to his College of  
St. Mary and St. Nicholas (now  
KING's COLLEGE) in Cambridge, at  
different Times, confirmed 1444,  
a. r. 23.

W I L T S.

The manor of Great and Little  
Okeburne, parcel of the priory there.

Manor of Brighton Deverell, parcel  
of the same.

100*s.* rent out of the lands of the  
abbey of Lucerne, after the death of  
his uncle, Humphrey duke of Glou-  
cester.

Reversion of Willoughton manor,  
belonging to St. Nicholas abbey at  
Angiers.

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Rever-

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Reversion of John Mershton's pension of 100*s.* out of West Kington, in the archdeaconry of Wilts, and deanery of Malmesbury, late belonging to Foulgeres abbey.

Profits of Cosham church, late belonging to St. Nicholas abbey, Angiers.

Y O R K.

Reversion of Allerton Mauleverer priory.

N O T T I N G H A M.

Reversion of £.20. pension from the abbat of Rufford, for the moiety of Rotheram church, paid to the abbat of Clarevaux.

40*s.* from the prior of Blythe, paid to their foreign house, (viz. the abbey of St. Katherine near Rouen).

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S A L O P.

Reversion of 100*s.* rent from Wen-  
lok priory.

H A N T S.

Reversion of the manors of Mon-  
keston and Combe.

An acre of land in Ringwood.

D O R S E T.

Reversion of the priory and manor  
of Stour Preaux, paid to St. Leger de  
Preaux abbey, Normandy,

C O R N W A L L.

Priory of Mount St. Michael,  
Deanry of St. Burian, belonging to  
the alien priory there\*,

Manor

\* The deanry, as alien, was given 24 Hen. VI. to  
King's college, Cambridge, and afterwards by king  
Edward IV. (anno regni 7) to Windsor college, yet

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Manor of Tyleshire, parcel of the  
abbey of Caen.

E S S E X.

Felsted manor and rectory, late par-  
cel of Caen abbey.

L I N C O L N.

Lands of St. Nicholas abbey at  
Angiers, in Spalding, Pynchbec, and  
Repynghale.

L A N C A S H I R E.

Advowson of Prestcote church.

S U F F O L K.

Briset priory, and all its possessions.

Kersey priory, and all its possessions.

neither of those societies long enjoyed or had any  
benefit from it ; for it was all along, and still conti-  
nues, an independant deanry, in the gift of the  
crown, or of the duke of Cornwall, of exempt ju-  
risdiction as a royal free chapel, Tanner, Notit.  
p. 67,

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## No. III.

F O R M S O F I N D E N I Z A T I O N  
O F A L I E N P R I O R I E S.I. Petition of THETFORD ABBEY  
to be made Denizon.

Reyner de Antiq. Benedict. in Angliae,  
Appendix tertiae partis, p. 209. Scriptura lxxxi.  
Ex Archivis Turris Londinensis. Ex Bundello  
Petitionum Parliamenti temp. Ed. III.

Regi nostro maxime tremendo.

Supplicant humiliter ejus pauperes  
fideles oratores prior et conventus mo-  
nachorum Thetfordiæ ordinis Clunia-  
censis, quod cum antehac collatione  
dicti prioratus pertinente ad abbates  
Cluniacenses, priores et plurimi alii

monachi in eo existentes fuerint alienigenæ, et ita dicta domus reputata fuerit alienigena, nunc autem evenerit ut prior omnesq. monachi dicti loci sint legales et veri Angli nati et nutriti intra regnum, et nihil apportent extra, et auxilio Dei et aliquorum devotorum secularium qui sumtus fecerunt, dicti pauperes religiosi acquisiverint et impetraverint liberam electionem sibi et successoribus suis perpetualiter habendam; et quod prior semper conformetur hic, absq' eo quod mare transire debeat, ita ut deinceps dictus prioratus semper mansurus sit, si Deo placeat, totaliter sub gubernatione et administratione personarum, qui sint veri et legales Angli, placeat vobis propter Deum, et in opus charitatis,

et

et in relevationem dictæ pauperculæ domus, quæ propter simplicitatem, et minus cautam gubernationem priorum et aliorum monachorum alienigenarum, qui in ea fuerint, et propter grandia onera superimposita ei illorum tempore, fere annihilata fuit, et ad destructionem perducta, ordinare et stabilire in hoc præsente parliamento, quatenus deinceps ipsa domus reputetur denizata et libera in omnibus casibus; quodq' nullum onus aut impositio in ullo tempore venturo imponatur aut tanquam debitum exigatur a dicta domo, nisi tantum eo modo quo fit aliis domibus religiosis regni nostri Anglicis et denizatis, seu Anglicani juris libertate fruentibus.

A nostræ

## A nostre tresredote S'r le Roy.

Suppliant humblement ses poveres  
lieges oratours les priour et convent de  
moynes de Thetford de l'ordre de  
Cluny, que comme avant ces heures  
la collaciun de la dite priorie apparte-  
nante as abbey de Cluny, les priours  
et pluseurs autres des moynes esteants  
en icelle ayent este personnes alienes,  
et que sy la dite meison ayt estee repu-  
tec alieno, et ore soyt, ensy que le  
priour et tous les moynes en dit lieu  
soient loyalx et vray Anglois nees et  
norriz dedens le royalme; et rien ne  
apportent par dela, et par l'ayde de  
Dieu et de ascunes personnes seculars  
qu'ount de leur bonne devocion fait  
les custages, les dictes poveres religieux  
ont

ont acquis et impetrez franche eleccion  
a avoir a eux et a leur successeurs a  
tous jours, et que leur priour sera tou-  
jourz conferme pardecea sanz passer  
la mer, ensy que la dicte priorie de-  
formes demorera toutdiz, si Dieu plest,  
tout entierement sous gouvernance et  
administration des personnes vrays et  
loyalx Englois, il vous plese pur Dieu,  
et en oever de charite, et en relevacion  
de la dite povere meson, laquelle par  
simpleffe et meynes avissee governaunce  
des priours et autres moynes alienes  
qui y ount este, et par les grandes  
charges furmises a icelle en lour temps,  
a este bien pres anyente, et mys a de-  
struction, ordiner et establir ores en  
ceste present parlement, que desormes  
elle soit tenue et reputee denizein en  
tous cas, et que nulle charge ne im-  
position

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position ne soit en nul temps avenyr  
mys ne chalengee deue sur la dicte  
meson, fors que ensy come fera d'au-  
tres mesons religieux du nostre royalme  
vrays Anglois et denizennes,

2. INDE-

**2. INDENIZATION of the BENEDICTINE Priory of St. TRINITY, YORK.**

Rot. Parl. 4 Hen. VI. n. 25. vol. IV. p. 302.

ITEM, une Petition fuit baille a n're S'r le Roi en mesme le Parlement, pur les Priour & Convent de la Priorie de Seint Trinite d'Everwyk, de l'ordre de Seint Benet; le tenour de quele cy ensuit.

Au Roi n're soveraigne S'r. Suppliant humblement voz povres lieges & oratours, le Priour & Convent de le Priorie de Seint Trinite d'Everwyk, de l'ordre de Seint Benet, le quel Priorie est celle de l'Abbaye de Meremostier en le Roialme de Fraunce: Que come le dit Priorie est, & a este avaunt ces heures, un Priorie alien conventuell,

conventuell, qui est, & a este charge  
de un annuite de XL s. p an, a paier  
annuelment a vous, a v're eschequer,  
a cause d'une ancien apporte a la chief  
meafon de Meremostier suisdit, durant  
les guerres pentre les Roialmes d'En-  
gleterre & de Fraunce; la quele an-  
nuite & ancien apporte, a cause de la  
Paix finall faite pentre les Roialmes  
avaunditz, en ley est expire & deter-  
mine. Qu'il please a v're tres sove-  
raigne & benigne grace, al reverence  
de Dieu, & augmentation du divine  
service en le dit Priorie, & encressé de  
mesme le Priorie, de graunter as ditz  
Priour & Convent, p auctorite de cest  
present Parlement, q'ils, & lour suc-  
cessours, soient deinzeins, & pour dein-  
zeins soient reputez, tenuz & tretez,  
en

en mesme le manere & auxi franchement & entierment en toutz choses, sicome autres Priours Englois deinz le Roialme d'Engleterre font. Et q̄ les ditz Priour & Convent, & lour successours, defore en avaunt aient & tiennent le dit Priorie, ovec toutz lour appurtenaunces, en perpetuitee, come Priorie Englois & deinzein, & discharge du dit apport & annuite envers vous & voz heirs & successours, a toutz jours. Et auxi, q̄ils aient toutz les libertees, franchises, immunittees & privileges, & les enjoisent franchement, sicome hommes de religion neez Englois les ount & les enjoisent en toutz points, sicome Priours & Priories Englois de mesme l'ordre deins le Roialme d'Engleterre fount

tretez & gouvernez, en paiant les  
dismes, subsidees & autres devoirs,  
sicome autres deinzeins de lour ordre  
deinz le dit Roialme fount & paient.  
Et outre ce, p auctorite de mesme cest  
Parlement, de graunter as ditz Priour  
& Convent, q qant, & a quel temps  
avient q le dit Priorie se voide p mort,  
resignation, ou cesser del Priour de le  
Priorie suisdit, ou en autre manere  
quelconq, q'adonq le dit Convent, en  
chescune singuler voidance de mesme  
le Priorie, aient franc election de eux  
mesmes, d'un de eux eslire en le Pri-  
our, sanz ascun licence ent avoir ou  
demander de vous, ou de voz heirs  
pour toutz jours, pour Dieu & en  
œvere de charite.

La quele Petition, devaunt les  
Seign'rs espirituelx & temporelx du dit  
Parlement

Parlement leuz & entenduz, a l'espe-  
ciall request des communes de mesme  
le Parliament, fuit responduz en la  
forme en suant.

Soient lettres patentes du Roi faitz  
desouz son graunde seal sur la con-  
tenue de ceste Petition, pur un respon-  
able fyn ent a faire en la Chauncerie  
du Roy.

## No. IV.

*De Terris Alienigenarum, propter guer-  
ram in Ducatu Aquitaniæ motam,  
in manum Regis captis eisdem nunc  
reddendis.*

From Rymer, vol. IV. p. 246.

A. D. 1327. 1 E. III. Clasf. 1 E. III. p. 1. m. 22.

REX Thesaurario & Baronibus de  
Scaccario, Salutem.

Supplicavit nobis dilectus nobis in  
Christo, Prior de Neuport Paynel, quæ  
est cella Abbatiae Majoris Monasterii  
Turonensis, per petitionem suam  
coram nobis & concilio nostro exhi-  
bitam, quod, cum Dominus E. nuper  
Rex Angliæ, pater noster, occasione  
guerræ, inter ipsum & Regem Fran-  
ciæ motæ in Ducatu Aquitaniæ, ter-  
ras,

ras, tenementa, feoda & advocationes ad Prioratum prædictum spectantia, simul cum aliis terris, tenementis, feodis, & advocationibus religiosorum alienigenarum de potestate dicti Regis Franciæ existentium in regno nostro capi fecisset in manum suam, unà cum bonis, & catallis ejusdem Prioris in eisdem terris & tenementis existentibus:

Et terras & tenementa ad Prioratum prædictum spectantia, præfato Priori, per litteras patentes dicti patris nostri sub sigillo Scaccarii prædicti consignatas commisisset tenenda ad voluntatem suam, pro quâdam certâ firmâ sibi indè annuatim reddendâ; feodis militum, & advocationibus ecclesiarum sibi retentis:

Et etiam tradidisset præfato Priori bona, & catalla prædicta, per certam manuaptionem ad respondendum indè dicto patri nostro ad voluntatem suam:

Velimus eidem Priori dicta terras, tenementa, feoda, & advocationes, unà cum bonis & catallis prædictis, restituere, & arreragia firmæ suæ prædictæ sibi pardonare:

Nos, de assensu Prælatorum, Comitum, Baronum, & aliorum Magnatum, in instanti Parliamento nostro existentium, volentes præfato Priori gratiam facere specialem, reddidimus eidem Priori terras, tenementa, feoda, & advocationes prædicta, unà cum bonis, & catallis supradictis, & hac vice, de gratiâ nostrâ, pardonavimus ei arreragia firmæ suæ prædictæ:

E;

Et ideo vobis mandamus quod præfato Priori omnia terras, tenementa, feoda, & advocationes, ad Prioratum prædictum spectantia, quæ occasione prædictâ in manu dicti patris nostri capta fuerunt, unâ cum bonis, & catallis prædictis, sine dilatione liberari, & ipsum de firmâ prædictâ & arragiis ejusdem, ipsumque, & manu captores suas de bonis & catallis prædictis exonerari & quietos esse faciatis; salvo nobis apporto Abbatiae prædictæ de prædicto Prioratu debito, quousque aliud super hoc duxerimus ordinandum.

Teste Rege apud Westmonasterium  
quarto die Februarii.

*Per Petitionem de Concilia.*

Consimilia Brevia habent subscripti;  
videlicet,

*Abbas de Fiscampo in Normann.*

*Abbatissa de Cadomo\* in Normann.*

*Prior de Wangeford de ordine Clunyacen.*

*Prior de Horkefle de ordine Clunyacen.*

*Prior de Lynton, cella Abbatiae Sancti  
Jacuti in Britann.*

*Prior de Modbury, cella Abbatiae Sancti  
Petri super Dyvam† in Normann.*

*Prior de Loddres, cella Abbatiae de  
Monte Burgi in Normann.*

*Prior de Frampton, cella Abbatiae Sancti  
Stephani in Cadomo\* in Normann.*

*Prior de Oteryngton, cella Abbatiae Sancti  
Michaelis in Periculo Maris in Nor-  
mann.*

*Prior de Theford, cella Abbatiae Clun-  
yacen. in Normann.*

\* Cadamo in Rymer.      † Dynam in Rymer.  
*Prior*

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*Prior de Auebury, cella Abbatiae Sancti  
Georgii in Normann.*

*Prior de Clatford, cella Sancti Victoris  
in Normann.*

*Prior de Appledercombe, cella Abbatiae  
Beatae Mariæ de Monte Burgi in  
Normann.*

*Prior Sanctæ Elenæ de ordine Clu-  
nyacen.*

*Prior de Pontefraſto de ordine Clu-  
nyacen.*

*Prior de Blida, cella Abbatiae Sanctæ  
Katerinæ de Monte Rothomag. in  
Normann.*

*Prior de Hermodesworth, cella ejusdem  
Abbatiae.*

*Prior de Ecclesfeld, cella ejusdem Ab-  
batiae.*

*Prior de Mereseye, cella Sancti Audoeni  
de Rothomago \*.*

\* Rothomago in Rymer.

*Prior de la Seke, cella Abbatiae Sancti Florencii de Samuro in Andegavia.*

*Prior Trinitatis Eborum, cella Abbatiae Majoris Monasterii Turonen.*

*Prior de Derhurst, cella Abbatiae Sancti Dionisii.*

*Prior de Berneftaple ordinis Clunyacen.*

*Prior de Carfewelle ordinis Clunyacen.*

*Prior Sancti Jacobi juxta Exon. cella Prioratus Sancti Martini de Campis Parisiis \*.*

*Frater Richardus Folyn Procurator Abbatis de Bello Becco † in Normann.*

*Prior de Pembrok in Wall. cella Abbatiae de Sagio in Normann.*

*Frater Richardus Procurator Prioris de Morteyn in Angl.*

*Prior de Shireburn, cella domus Sancti Benedicti de Cyrifi.*

\* *Parisiis in Rymer.*      † *Beno in Rymer.*

*Prior*

*Prior de Eye, cella Abbatiae de Bernay  
in Normann.*

*Prior Sancti Walerici, cella Abbatiae  
Sancti Walerici in Pykardia.*

*Prior de Welfricheston, cella Abbatiae  
Sancti Petri super Dyvam\* in Nor-  
mann.*

*Prior de Lenton, ordinis Clunyacen.*

*Abbas Clunyacen.*

*Abbas Sancti Martini de Sagio in Nor-  
mann.*

*Prior de Crecynges & de Everdon, cella  
Abbatiae de Berniato\* in Normann.*

*Priorissa de Lennerministre, cella Abba-  
tiae de Almanasche in Normann.*

*Prior de Coges, cella Abbatiae de Fif-  
campo in Normann.*

*Prior de Noiona de Novo Mercato.*

*Prior de Okeburn.*

*Prior de Sancto Neoto.*

\* Dynam in Rymer. † Q. Berniaco, or Bernaio.  
*Prior*

*Prior de Stokes.*

*Prior de Stynenton.*

*Prior de Goldclive \*.*

*Prior de Cowyk.*

*Prior de Wylesford.*

*Abbas de Sagio.*

*Prior de Cameryngbam.*

*Abbas de Lyra.*

*Prior de Carefbrok qui est cella Abbatiae  
de Lyra.*

*Prior de Hynkeleye qui est cella Abbatiae  
de Lyra.*

*Prior de Tytteleye qui est cella Abbatiae  
de Tyrona.*

*Prior Sanctæ Crucis in Insula Vecta,  
qui est Cella Abbatiae de Tyrona.*

*Prior de Hamele qui est cella Abbatiae  
de Tyrona.*

*Prior de Warham qui est cella Abbatiae  
de Lyra.*

\* Godclyne in Rymer.

*Prior*

*Prior de Appeltrecombe in Insula Vecta,  
qui est cella de Monte Burgo.*

*Prior de Paunfeld & de Welle, qui est  
cella Abbatiae de Cadomo\* in Nor-  
mann.*

*Prior Beatæ Mariæ Lancast. qui est  
cella Abbatiae de Sagio in Normann.*

*Prior de Anedewell qui est cella Abbatiae  
de Tyrona.*

*Prior de Folkeston qui est cella Abbatiae  
de Lulleyo† in Normann.*

*Abbatissa de Gynes in Artois.*

*Prior de Menstre qui est cella Abbatiae  
Sancti Cergi in Angania‡.*

*Prior de Truerdrayth in Cornub. qui est  
cella Abbatiae Sancti Cergi in An-  
gania.*

*Prior Sancti Michaelis in Cornub. qui  
est cella Abbatiae Sancti Michaelis  
in Periculo Maris in Normann.*

\* Cadamo in Rymer.

† Q. Lonleio.

‡ Sic. Q. Andegavia.

## No. V.

*De Domibus Religiosorum Alienigenarum, in Holdernesse, in Manum Regis capiendis.*

From Rymer, vol. IV. p. 777.

A. D. 1337. 11 E. III. Rot. Vasa. 11 E. III. m. 19.

REX dilectis & fidelibus suis, Johanni de Molyns, Nicholao de Buke-lond, & Willielmo del Lounde de Holdernesse, Salutem,

Quia Rex Franciae congregato in diversis partibus dominii sui magno navigio gentes nostras per mare transeuntes hostiliter expugnare & capi, & idem navigium cum multitudo[n]e hominum armatorum super regnum nostrum, ac etiam insulas nostras de Gerneseye\* & Jereseye, mitti

\* Gernereye in Rymer,

fecit,

fecit, ad nostrum, si possit, dominium subvertendum: Qui quidem homines navigii illius fines ipsorum regni ac insularum nostrarum pluriē sunt ingressi, homicidia, incendia, & alia facinora, crudeliter perpetrando:

Idémque Rex nichilominus grandem mandavit exercitum convocari, ad invadendum hostiliter & occupandum terras nostras & fidelium nostrorum in ducato nostro Aquitaniae, & nos indē pro viribus exhæredandum: ac mala & facinora hujusmodi nobis & nostris, tam per terram, quam per mare, indiēs inferre nititur, suā malitiā excrescente, guerram contra nos voluntariē & contra justitiam sic movendo:

Per

Per quod de concilio nostro ordinavimus quod terræ, tenementa, beneficia, possessiones, ac bona & catalla quæcunque omnium Gallicorum, & aliorum de dominio & potestate ipsius regis Franciæ, tam secularium, quam religiosorum, cujuscumque statutis seu conditionis existant, infra regnum nostrum (terris, ac bonis & catallis, hominum Britanniæ dumtaxat exceptis) in manum nostram sefiantur; ita quod nobis de exitibus terrarum & tenementorum illorum ac de bonis & catallis predictis respondeatur:

Nos, præmissa cum omni celeritate, quâ fieri poterit, volentes executioni demandari, assignavimus vos, conjunctim & divisim, ad capiendum & sefiendum,

ficiendum, ac capi & seifiri, per aliquos  
 (quos ad hoc deputaveritis) facien-  
 dum, in manum nostram ad certum  
 diem, quem vobis duximus præfigen-  
 dum, omnes prioratus, domos, bene-  
 ficia, & alia, religiosorum & aliorum  
 alienigenarum prædictorum quorum-  
 cumque, de potestate & dominio dicti  
 regis, necnon bona & catalla eorum-  
 dem in partibus de Holderneſſe, in  
 comitatu Eborum, tam, videlicet,  
 equos & animalia, denarios & jocalia,  
 ac vaſa aurea & argentea, & blada in  
 terris crescentia, quam alia bona sua  
 quæcumque, ubicumque existentia, sive  
 fuerint infra libertates, sive extra, una  
 cum debitis quæ ipsis in partibus præ-  
 dictis debentur (exceptis terris & bonis  
 ipsorum hominum Britanniæ, ut est  
 dictum)

dictum) & ad eadem, terras, tene-  
menta, possētiones, & loca ac bona  
& catalla quæcūmque supradicta, salvo  
& absque distractione aliquā bonorum  
eorundem per vos, præfate Willielme,  
custodire faciendum, quo usque aliud  
indē præceperimus; ita quōd de exi-  
tibus terrarum, tenementorum, & lo-  
corum prædictorum, ac bonis & ca-  
tallis, denariis, jocalibus, & debit is  
antedictis (de quibus in cameram nos-  
tram volumus responderi) nobis per  
vos, prædictē Willielme, in eādem  
camerā nostrā valeat responderi: salvā  
tamen viris religiosis, ministris & ser-  
vientibus suis necessariis, rationabili  
sustentatione suā, quam ipsis per vos,  
dicte Willielme, de exitibus domo-  
rum suarum volumus, donec aliud  
indē mandaverimus, ministrari:

Et

Et ad religiosos prædictos infra pri-  
oratus & domos suas, salvè et honestè  
custodiendum :

Et ad inquirendum, tām per sacra-  
mentum proborum & legalium homi-  
num partium prædictarum, tām infra  
libertates quām extra, per quos rei  
veritas meliūs sciri poterit, quām aliis  
viis & modis quibus meliūs expedire  
videritis, de debitibus quæ eisdem reli-  
giosis seu aliis prædictis in eisdem par-  
tibus debentur, & quæ & cujusmodi  
debita, & per quos, & de terminis  
solutionum eorundem :

Nec non ad indenturas inter vos,  
prædicte Johannes & Nicholae, seu  
alterum vestrūm, aut à vobis depu-  
tandis, & vos, præfate Willielme, de  
omnibus bonis & catallis, tām dena-

riis, jocalibus, & bladis in terris crescentibus, quām aliis bonis & rebus, ipsorum religiosorum, & aliorum alienigenarum prædictorum quibuscumque, ac de pretio eorumdem, & quæ & cujusmodi fuerint, modo debito conficiendas:

Et ad certificandum\* tam nos in cancellariam nostram, quam in cameram nostram, de bonis & catallis illis, ac debitibus prædictis, & transcripta indenturarum illarum ibidemmittendum cum celeritate quam potestis:

Et ideo vobis, firmiter injungendo, mandamus quod circa præmissa, facienda & explenda in formâ prædictâ, cum omni solicitudine & diligentia intendatis, omnibus aliis prætermisssis;

\* certificandam in Rymer.

Ita quod, per vestri tepiditatem, seu negligentiam in hac parte, dampnum seu jacturam nullatenus incurramus, per quod ad vos materiam habeamus graviter, prout convenit, capiendi:

Et scire facietis, ex parte nostrâ, singulis prioribus domorum & locorum praedictorum, in partibus praedictis, seu custodibus eorundem, aut eisdem praesidentibus, quod sint, in propriis personis suis, coram nobis, & concilio nostro, apud Westmonasterium, die Luna proximo post festum Sanctæ Mariæ Magdalenæ proximò futurum, ad informandum nos, & dictum concilium nostrum, super aliquibus eis ex parte nostrâ exponendis, & ad faciendum ulterius quod tunc ibidem contigerit ordinari.

Mandavimus enim vicecomiti nostro  
comitatūs prædicti, quod vobis, in  
præmissis omnibus & singulis faci-  
endis, pareat, obediat, & intendat, &  
coram vobis venire faciat tot & tales  
probos & legales homines de ballivâ  
suâ, tam infra libertates quam extra  
per quos dictum negotium melius ex-  
pediri poterit, quotiens & quando opus  
fuerit, & ipsum super hoc ex parte  
nostrâ, feceritis præmuniri.

In cuius, &c.

Teste rege apud Staunford primo  
die Julii.

*Per ipsum Regem.*

Consimilis commissio fit Johanni  
de Molyns, Johanni de Langeford,  
& Nicholao de Bukeford, conjunctim  
& divisim, in insulâ Vectâ, in comitatu  
Suthamptoniæ; ita quod dictus Jo-  
hannes

hannes de Langeford bona, &c. cuſtodiat, & de eisdem respondeat in camерam regis, &c. *ut supra mutatis mutandis.*

Teſte ut *supra*.

*Per ipsum Regem.*

\*Conſimilis commiſſio fit diuerſis de prioratibus, domibus, beneficiis, & locis religiosorum, & aliorum alienigenarum de potestate & dominio regis Franciæ, in Angliâ, Walliâ, & Hiberniâ, in manum regis capiendis.

\* Rot. Vasc. 11 Ed. III. m. 15.

## No. VI.

*De Prioratibus Religiosorum  
restituendis.*

From Rymer, vol. VI. p. 311.

A. D. 1361. *An. 35 E. III. Pat. 35 E. III. p. 1. m. 14.*

REX omnibus, ad quos, &c. Sa-  
lutem.

Licet nuper prioratum de Monte  
Acuto, in comitatu Somersetiæ, occa-  
sione guerræ inter nos & Gallicos tunc  
motæ, ac omnia terras, tenementa,  
feoda, & advocationes, ad prioratum  
illum spectantia, inter alias domos &  
prioratus religiosorum alienigenarum  
de potestate Franciæ, unâ cum bonis  
& catallis in eisdem prioratibus & do-  
mibus existentibus, in manum nos-  
tram

tram ceperimus, & custodiam eorumdem prioribus locorum prædictorum, & aliis, pro certâ firmâ nobis inde reddendâ, per diversas literas nostras patentes commiserimus :

Quia tamen pax inter nos & magnificum principem, regem Franciæ, fratrem nostrum carissimum, jam reformata & publicata existit :

Nos ob honorem Dei & Sanctæ Ecclesiæ volentes dilecto nobis in Christo Priori de Monte Acuto gratiam facere specialem, eidem priori dictum prioratum de Monte Acuto, ac omnia terras, tenementa, feoda, & advocationes, ad prioratum prædictum spectantia, simul cum omnibus bonis & catallis in eo existentibus, restitu-

N 4 mus,

mus, habenda & tenenda adeò plenè & integrè sicut ea tenuit ante captionem supradictam, absque aliquâ firmâ nobis indè, ratione captionis prædictæ, exnunc reddenda:

Et ipsum priorem & manucaptiores suos de firma prædicta exnunc exoneramus & quietamus per præsentes; arreragiis firmæ illius, si quæ fuerint de tempore præterito, & debitum, quæ ante captionem supradictam debebantur, & nondum soluta existunt, nobis semper salvis.

In cuius, &c.

Teste rege apud Westmonasterium decimo sexto die Februarii.

*Per ipsum regem & concilium.*  
**Consimiles literas regis de restituzione**  
 habent alienigenæ subscripti, sub  
 eadem datâ; videlicet,  
*Prior Prioratus de Norhampton.*

*Prior*

*Prior Prioratus de Arundell, &c.*

*Prior Prioratus de Cameryngham, qui  
est cella Abbatiae de Blanca Landa  
in Normannia.*

*Prior Prioratus de Otriton, in comitatu  
Devonie, qui est cella Abbatiae  
Sancti Michaelis in Periculo Maris  
in Normannia.*

*Prior Prioratus de Pritewell, in com.  
Essex.*

*Prior Prioratus de Sancto Neoto.*

*Prior Prioratus de Wotton.*

*Prior Prioratus de Lenton.*

*Prior Prioratus de Barnestaple, in co-  
mitatu Devonie.*

*Prior Prioratus de Bekford.*

*Prior Prioratus de Wenlock, qui est cella  
Prioris de Caritate\* in Regno Fran-  
ciorum, &c.*

\* Caricata in Rymer.

## No. VII.

*Pro Religiosis Alienigenis, de Licentia Alienandi.*

From Rymer, vol. VII. p. 697.

A. D. 1391. An. 14 R. II. Pat. 14. R. II. p. 2. m. 32.

REX omnibus, ad quos, &c, Salutem.

Sciatis quod de gratia nostra speciali, concessimus & licentiam dedimus, pro nobis & hæredibus nostris quantum in nobis est Abbatij Monasterii Sancti Trinitatis in Monte Sanctæ Katerinæ juxta Rothemagum, & conventui ejusdem loci, de potestate Franciæ, quod ipsi dare possint, concedere, & assignare, venerabili in Christo patri, Willielmo de Wykeham, episcopo Wyntoniæ, hæredibus & assignatis

natis suis imperpetuum, Maneria de Hermondesworth in comitatu Midds, & Tyngewyk in comitatu Bucks, cum pertinentiis, ac omnia alia ad prædictos abbatem & conventum & eorum monasterium pertinentia, infra regnum nostrum Angliæ, præter prioratum de Blithe, cum pertinentiis: quæ quidem maneria & alia supradicta in manu nostra, occasione guerræ inter nos & adversarium nostrum Franciæ, existunt, & quæ (exceptis feedis militum & advocationibus ecclesiarum & viciarum in manibus nostris remanentibus) dimittuntur ad firmam per nomen custodiæ prioratûs de Hermondesworth, & omnium terrarum, tenementorum, reddituum, & possessionum ad dictum prioratum spectantium,

tantium, pro qua quidem custodia  
 quaterviginti marcæ nobis redduntur  
 per annum: habenda & tenenda præ-  
 dicta maneria, cum pertinentiis, & præ-  
 dicta omnia alia, ad prædictos abbatem &  
 conventum & monasterium suum præ-  
 dictum infra regnum nostrum Angliæ  
 pertinentiæ (præter prioratum de Blithe  
 cum pertinentiis) præfato episcopo,  
 hæredibus & assignatis suis imperpe-  
 tuum, adeò plenè & integrè sicut  
 prædicti abbas & conventus, vel præ-  
 decessores sui ea unquam habuerunt,  
 seu habere debuerunt, de consuetudine,  
 vel de jure, & adeò quietè, exonerata  
 de firma prædicta, & de omnibus aliis  
 firmis, redditibus, decimis, & aliis qui-  
 buscùmque, erga nos & hæredes nos-  
 tros,

tros, prout prædicti abbas & conventus seu eorum prædecessores ea habuerunt vel tenuerunt antequam ad manus nostras, seu ad manus progenitorum nostrorum, occasione guerræ, devenerunt: et præfato episcopo quod ipse prædicta maneria de Hermondworth & Tyngewyk, cum pertinentiis, & omnia alia prædicta, ad ipsos abbatem & conventum & monasterium suum prædictum infra regnum nostrum Angliæ pertinentia (præter prædictum prioratum de Blithe cum pertinentiis) a præfatis abbatे & conventu recipere possit, habere & tenere prædicto episcopo, hæredibus & assignatis suis imperpetuum, sicut prædictum est.

Tenore præsentium similiter licentiam dedimus specialē, non obstan-  
tibus

tibus aliquo præmissorum, seu causis vel materiis supradictis, & eo non obstante quod prædicta maneria cum pertinentiis, & alia supradicta, ad ipsos abbatem & conventum infra regnum nostrum pertinentia, de nobis tenentur in capite, seu fuerunt de dono vel collatione progenitorum nostrorum, aut eo quod fuerunt data per nos vel per progenitores nostros prædictis abbatii & conventui, seu eorum prædecessoribus, ad cantarias, hospitalitatem, opera caritatis, & alia onera facienda, invenienda, seu sustinenda, aut aliâ causâ quacumque, quæ nos tangit, seu nos vel hæredes nostros tangere poterit quovis modo.

In cuius, &c. Teste rege apud Westmonasterium decimo die Martii.

*Per Breve de Privato Sigillo.*

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## No. VIII.

*De Restauratione Prioratum  
Alienigenarum.*

From Rymer, vol. VIII. p. 101.

A. D. 1399. An. 1 H. IV. Pat. 1 H. IV. p. 2. m. 13.

REX omnibus ad quos &c. Sa-  
lutem;

Sciatis quod nos intimè consideran-  
tes qualiter nonnulla prioratus, do-  
mus, & loca religiosa alienigenarum,  
infra regnum nostrum Angliae &  
Walliae existentia, per nobiles pro-  
genitores nostros, ac aliquos regni nostri  
proceres & magnates, ad divina of-  
ficia ac hospitalitatis & eleemosina-  
rum, aliaque pietatis & devotionis  
onera facienda & supportanda lauda-  
biliter

biliter fundata & constructa extiterunt:  
quodque eadem prioratus, domus,  
& loca religiosa, tam per subitas &  
frequentes ammotiones & expulsiones  
priorum & occupatorum locorum praedictorum, quam per diversos seculares  
& alios firmarios eorumdem, postquam in manum domini E. nuper  
regis Angliae avi nostri, occasione  
guerrae inter nos & illos de Francia  
motae, primò seifita fuerunt, ita enor-  
miter, tam in domibus, quam in re-  
bus & possessionibus, destruuntur, di-  
lapidantur & devastantur, quod di-  
vinus cultus regularisque observantiæ  
inibi cessant, ac hospitalitates, & ele-  
mosinæ, & alia insuper caritatis opera,  
ibidem stabilita & fieri consueta sub-  
trahuntur,

trahuntur, ne non pia fundatorum  
vota multiplicitate defraudantur & frus-  
trantur, ad Dei omnipotentis offensam  
& displicentiam non modicam ut spe-  
ratnus: Et volentes proinde, ad hono-  
rem Dei ac sanctae ecclesiae, pro divini  
cultus augmentatione, ac dictorum  
operum caritativorum & aliorum one-  
rum incumbentium innovatione &  
continuatione, gratosius providere:  
De gratia nostrâ speciali, & ex certa  
scientia nostra, & de assensu concilii  
nostrî, in præsenti parlimendo, ma-  
num nostram de prioratu Sanctæ  
Mariæ Magdalènæ de Barnstapel Exo-  
niensis diccesis; in quo quidem prio-  
ratu Simon Ocle, prior admissus, insti-  
tutus, & inductus existit, sicut per li-  
teras admissionis, institutionis, & in-

ductionis hujusmodi, nobis in cancellaria nostra exhibitas & ostensas, plenè liquet; qui quidem prioratus in manum dicti avi nostri, inter alias terras & tenementa religiosorum alienigenarum, de dominio & potestate Franciæ existentium, in regno nostro Angliæ, & alibi infra dominium & potestatem nostram, nuper captus & sefatus extitit, & in manu nostra, occasione prædictâ, existit; penitus ammovemus, & eundem prioratum eidem Simoni priori concedimus & restituimus per præsentes: Habendum & tenendum fibi & successoribus suis, prioribus loci prædicti, unâ cum omnibus cellis, maneriis, terris, tenementis, redditibus, servitiis, feodis militum, advocationibus ecclesiarum, viciarum, capellarum, &

& cantariarum, & aliorum beneficiorum ecclesiasticorum quorumcumque: ac etiam cum omnibus pensionibus, portionibus, annuitatibus, decimis, obligationibus, eleemosinis, ac aliis emolumentis, proficuis, rebus, & possessionibus, tam spiritualibus quam temporalibus, ad prioratum praedictum pertinentibus: Reddendo indè annuatim nobis & hereditibus nostris, durante guerrâ inter nos & illos de Franciæ, antiquum appotum dumtaxat, quod ad capitalem domum prioratus praedicti in partibus transmarinis, tempore pacis, de eodem prioratu reddi & solvi consuevit:

Ita tamen quæd idem prior & successores sui monachos, capellanos seculares, & alios ministros Anglicos, in

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prioratu prædicto, ad numerum juxta primariam fundationem ejusdem debitum & consuetum, inveniant & sustentent; ac decimas, quintasdecimas, & alia subsidia quæcumque, cum clero & communitate regni nostri Angliæ, quotiens & quando concedi contigerint, nobis & hæredibus nostris, pro spiritualibus & temporalibus suis, solvant; aliaque onera & pietatis opera, eidem prioratui ab antiquo incumbentia, faciant & sustentent, juxta primariam fundationem supradictam; aliquâ ordinatione, in contrarium editâ, seu dictâ seisinâ prioratûs prædicti, cum pertinentiis suis prædictis, in manum dicti avi nostri, aut aliquâ aliâ seisinâ, in manum nostrum, aut præfati avi nostri, seu Richardi nuper regis Angliæ,

gliae, occasione guerræ prædictæ, indè factâ, seu aliquibus concessionibus & commissionibus, indè, ante hæc tempora, pér nos, aut dictum avum nostrum, seu præfatum Richardum nuper regem Angliæ, aliquibus personis ad firmam factis non obstantibus:

Volentes insuper & concedentes, pro nobis & hæredibus nostris prædictis, quòd prædictus prior & successores sui prædicti, de quacumque aliâ firmâ & solutione annuâ, nobis vel hæredibus nostris, pro prioratu prædicto, occasione guerræ prædictæ, præter dictum antiquum apportum annum dum taxat, in futurum solvendis, quieti sint & exonerati, ac penitûs absoluti; & eundem priorem, & manucaptores suos, necnon alios quoscumque,

indè exoneramus & quietamus per  
præsentes; proviso semper quòd de  
arreragiis firmæ prioratus illius, ante  
datam præsentium debitum, & nondum  
solutis, si quæ fuerint, nobis respon-  
deatur & satisfiat, ut est justum.

In cuius, &c. Teste rege apud  
Westmonasterium decimo tertio die  
Novembris.

*Per ipsum regem.*

Similar writs were at the same time  
issued for the several priories following;  
Lodres, in the diocese of Sarum.  
Mount St. Michael, dioc. Exeter.  
Blithe, dioc. York.  
The Holy Trinity, dioc. York,  
Moddebury, dioc. Exeter.  
Andover, dioc. Winchester,  
Montacute, dioc. Bath & Wells,  
Folkestone, dioc. Canterbury.

Hagh

- Hagh, dioc. Lincoln.  
Lynton, dioc. Ely.  
St. Neot's, dioc. Lincoln.  
St. Andrew at Northampton, dioc.  
Lincoln.  
Lire Ocle, dioc. Hereford.  
The church of the Blessed Mary at  
Carisbrook in the isle of Wight,  
dioc. Winchester.  
Lapley, dioc. Litchfield & Coventry.  
St. James near Exeter, dioc. Exeter.  
The Blessed Mary at Monmouth in  
Wales.  
St. Helen in the Isle of Wight, dioc.  
Winchester.  
Tykeford near Newport Pagnell, dioc.  
Lincoln.  
Tuttebury, dioc. Litch. & Cov.  
St. Nicholas at Pembroke, dioc. St.  
David's.

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Monks Kirkeby, dioc. Litch, & Cov.  
The Blessed Mary at Lancaster, dioc.  
York.

Hynckeley, dioc. Lincoln.

The Blessed Mary at *Strogullia*\*, dioc.  
Landaff.

Totton, dioc. Exeter.

Bergaveny, dioc. Landaff.

Cowyk, dioc. Exeter.

The Blessed Mary at Goldecliffe†,  
dioc. Landaff.

Trewerdrayth, dioc. Exeter.

Alverton, dioc. York.

\* Stroguil, or Strig: le.      \* *Goldecliffe* in Rymer.

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### No. IX.

'Act for suppressing the Alien Priories.

E Rotulis Parliamenti anno secundo  
Henrici V. apud Leicestriam, No. 9.  
Rot. Parl. vol. IV. p. 22.

ITEM prient les Communes que  
en cas que final pees soit pris parentre  
vous nostre soveraine Seigneur et  
vostre adversarie de France en temps  
a venir, et sur ceo toutz les possessions  
de Priories Aliens en Engleterre es-  
teantz as chiefs maisons de relige-  
oues de par dela, as queux tielx pos-  
sessions sont regardantz, seroient res-  
tituz, damage et perde aviendroient a  
votre dit roialme et a vostre people de  
mesme le roialme par les graundes  
fermes et apportz de monoye quel d'an  
en an toutz jours apres seroient ren-  
duz

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duz de mesmes les possessions a les  
chiefs maisons avaunt ditz a tres  
graunde empoverissement de mesme  
vostre roialme en cel partie, que Dieu  
defende.

Plese a vostre tres noble et tres  
gracious Seigneurie, par consideracion  
fuisdit, et auxi par consideracion que  
a la commencement de la guerre com-  
mencee parentre les ditz roialmes,  
des toutz les possessions queux vos  
lieges alors avoient des douns de vos  
nobles progenitours en les parties  
de par dela deinz la jurisdiction de  
France, par juggement renduz en  
mesme le roialme de France sont pur  
toutz jours oustez et disheritez ; et sur  
ceo gracieusement ordeiner en cest  
present parlement, par assent de vos  
Seigneurs

Seigneurs Espirituelx et Temporelx,  
que toutz les possessions des Priories  
Aliens en Engleterre esteantz pur-  
ront demurrer es vos mains, a vous &  
a voz heires pur toutz jours, a l'en-  
tent que divines services en les lieux  
avaunt ditz purront plus duement  
estre faitz par gentz Englois en temps  
a venir que n'ont este faitz avaunt ces  
heures en ycelles par gentz Fraunceys;  
forspris les possessions des Priories  
Aliens conventuelx, et des priours qui  
sont inducts et instituz, et forspris que  
toutz les possessions aliens donez par  
le tres gracious Seigneur le Roi  
vostre piere (que Dieu affoille) a le  
mestre et college de Fodrynghay et a  
ses successours, de la fundacion de  
nostre dit Seigneur le Roi vostre piere  
et la fundacion de Edward duc de  
York,

York, non obstant la pées affaire,  
 si aucun y ferra, ovesque toutz ma-  
 ners fraunchises et libertées par nostre  
 dit Seigneur le Roi vostre piere graun-  
 tez as ditz mestre et college & a ses  
 successeurs & par vous confirmez, de-  
 murgent perpetuellement par auctorité  
 de cest present parlement as ditz mestre  
 et college et ses successeurs a l'oeps et  
 entent felonc le tenure et purport de les  
 lettres patentz de nostre dit Seigneur  
 le Roi vostre piere de la fundacion  
 du dit college, saunz aucun charge  
 ou apport a vous tres soveraign  
 Seigneur et a voz heires, ou a aucuny  
 autres personnes ou persone apportiers;  
 savaunt les services duez a les feig-  
 neures de fees Engloys, si aucun y  
 seroient, non obstant que même le

graunte fait par nostre suisdit Seigneur le Roi vostre piere as ditz mestre et college et a ses successours, ne soy extende forsque durant la guerre par entre vous tres souverain Seigneur & vostre adversarie de Fraunce; & savant auxi a chescun de voz liegez si bien espirituelx come temporelx l'estat & possession q'ils ount a present en ascuns de tieux possessions aliens, soit il purchacez ou a purchacerz en perpetuite ou a terme de vie ou a terme d'ans, de les chiefs maisons de par dela, par licence de nostre Seigneur le Roi vostre tres noble piere (que Dieu affoille) ou de Roi Edward le tierce vostre besaiel, ou de Roi Richard le Seconde puis le Conquest, ou de vostre tresgraciousdoun, graunt, confirmation ou licence, euz a present en cell parties:

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ties: paiantz et supportantz toutz les charges, pensions, annuitees, et corodies graunitez a ascuny de vos lieges par vous ou ascun de voz nobles progenitours a prendre de les possessions ou Priories Aliens suis ditz.

Le Roi le voet; et auxi que les ditz mestre & college de Fodrynghay eient exemplification du Roi desoutz son graunde seal d'iceste peticion, pour lour greindre feurete ceste partie, et ceo de l'asfent des seigneurs esperituelx et temporelx en ceste present parlement esteantz.

## No. X.

*De Prioratibus alienigenis in feodo  
concessis.*

From Rymer, vol. X. p. 802.

A. D. 1440. *Rot. Parl.* 19 Hen. VI. p. 1. m. 30.

REX omnibus, ad quos &c. Sa-  
lutem.

Sciatis quod nos fidelitate & cir-  
cumspetione venerabilium in Christo  
patrum, Henrici\* archiepiscopi, Jo-  
hannis + Bathoniensis & Wellensis  
episcopi, Johannis † Assavensis epif-  
scopi, & Willielmi || Sarum episcopi,  
ac dilecti & fidelis consanguinei nostri  
Willielmi comitis Suffolciæ, necnon  
dilectorum nobis, Johannis Somerseth,

\* Henry Chicheley.

+ John Law.

† John Stafford.

|| William Aiscotb.

Thomæ

Thomæ Bekyngton, Ricardi Andrewe,  
 Adæ Moleyns, clericorum, Johannis  
 Hampton, Jacobi Fenys, armigerorum,  
 & Willielmi Tresham, pleniū confi-  
 dentes, & ob grandem fiduciam quam  
 penes prædictas personas gerimus &  
 habemus: Deditus & concessimus eis  
 omnia & omnimoda illa prioratus,  
 maneria, terras, tenementa, redditus,  
 servitia, pensiones, portiones, apportus,  
 & possessiones infra regnum nostrum  
 Angliæ ac Walliæ & marchias Walliæ  
 prædictæ (quæ nuper prioratus & pos-  
 sessiones alienigenarum nuncupantur)  
 alicui domui religiosæ seu aliquibus  
 domibus religiosis in partibus trans-  
 marinis nuper pertinentia sive spe-  
 tantia, in manibus nostris existentia:

Habenda

Habenda & tenenda sibi, hæredibus  
& assignatis suis; simul cum advoca-  
tionibus omnium illorum prioratum,  
rectoriarum, ecclesiarum, vicariarum,  
capellarum, cantariarum, hospitalium,  
& aliorum beneficiorum ecclesiastico-  
rum; quæ ad præsens nuncupantur,  
seu nuper vocabantur, prioratus &  
possessiones alienigenarum, infra dic-  
tum regnum nostrum ac Walliæ &  
marchias Walliæ prædictæ existenti-  
bus, alicui hujusmodi domui sive ali-  
quibus hujusmodi domibus in dictis  
partibus transmarinis nuper pertinen-  
tibus sive spectantibus; simul etiam  
cum feodis militum, franchises, &  
liberatibus quibuscumque, præmissis  
seu alicui præmissorum qualitercum-  
que pertinentibus sive spectantibus;

de nobis & hæredibus nostris per fidelitatem tantùm pro omnibus servitiis, oneribus, exactionibus, & demandis, a festo Paschæ ultimò præterito imperpetuum :

Concessimus etiam eisdem archiepiscopo, episcopis, comiti, Johanni, Thomæ, Ricardo, Adæ, Johanni, Jacobo, & Willielmo, omnes & singulos redditus & firmas, quos aliqua persona seu aliquæ personæ nobis, pro aliquibus hujusmodi prioratibus, maneriis, terris, tenementis, redditibus, servitiis, pensionibus, portionibus, apportubus, & possessionibus quibuscunque, reddere tenetur seu tenentur: Habendos & tenendos eosdem redditus & firmas ; simul cum reversionibus tām eorumdem prioratum, maneriorum, terrarum,

rum, tenementorum, reddituum, ser-  
vitiorum, pensionum, portionum, ap-  
portuum, & possessionum, cum acci-  
derint, seu qualitercumque ad manus  
nostras vel hæredum nostrorum deve-  
nire poterunt vel debebunt, quam  
quorumcumque aliorum prioratum,  
maneriorum, terrarum, tenemento-  
rum, reddituum, servitiorum, pensi-  
onum, portionum, apportuum, & pos-  
sessionum infra dictum regnum nos-  
trum Angliæ ac Walliæ & marchias  
Walliæ supradictæ, quæ ad præsens,  
ut præmittitur, nuncupantur seu nuper  
vocabantur prioratus & possessiones  
alienigenarum, alicui domui religiosæ  
seu aliquibus domibus religiosis in  
dictis partibus transmarinis nuper per-  
tinentes sive spectantes, quos aliqua

P 2                      persona,

persona, seu aliquæ personæ, tenet,  
habet, seu occupat, tenent, habent,  
seu occupant, ad terminum vitæ per  
legem Angliæ, vel in dotem, seu in  
feodo talliato, seu aliâs ad terminum  
annorum, aut alio modo quocumque,  
ex concessione seu dimissione nostra, vel  
alicujus progenitorum nostrorum, &  
quæ per seu post mortem ejusdem per-  
sonæ, seu earumdem personarum, aut  
alicujus alterius personæ, seu quavis  
aliâ de causâ, ad manus nostras, vel  
hæredum nostrorum, accidere, contin-  
gere, reverti, seu remanere poterunt  
vel debebunt: præfatis archiepiscopo,  
episcopis, comiti, Johanni, Thomæ,  
Ricardo, Adæ, Johanni, Jacobo, &  
Willielmo, hæredibus & assignatis suis,  
a festo supradicto imperpetuum, de  
nobis & hæredibus nostris, per fidelita-

tem tantum pro omnibus servitiis, ex-actionibus, & demandis :

Eo quod expressa mentio de vero valore annuo omnium & singulorum præmissorum aut alicius eorumdem, seu aliorum donorum & concessionum eisdem archiepiscopo, episcopis, comiti, Johanni, Thomæ, Ricardo, Adæ, Johanni, Jacobo, & Willielmo, aut eorum alicui, per nos, aut aliquem progenitorum nostrorum, ante hæc tempora factorum, in præsentibus facta non existit, aut aliquo statuto, ordinatione, seu provisione, per prius in contrarium editis, ordinatis, seu provisis, non obstantibus.

In cuius, &c. Teste rege apud castrum suum de Wyndesore duodecimo die Septembris.

*Per ipsum regem, & de data prædicta,  
auctoritate parliamenti.*

No. XI.

No. XI.

*Pro Decano & Capitulo Ecclesiæ Rothomagenfis, super dono & concessione Edwardi Confessoris.*

From Rymer, vol. IV. p. 466.

A. D. 1331. A. 4 E. III. Pat. 4 E. III. p. 2. m. 10

REX dilectis sibi in Christo decano & capitulo ecclesiæ Rothomagenfis, salutem.

Licet nuper suggesto nobis quod ecclesiæ de Otery Beatæ Mariæ, Exonensi dioceſe, vacabat, & ad nostram donationem pertinuit: Johannem de Charrebrok clericum venerabili patri \* J. episcopo Exonensi præsentaverimus ad eandem:

\* James Barkeley.

Quia

Quia tamen, per cartas progenitorum nostrorum quondam regum Angliæ, & alia diversa munimenta, coram nobis & concilio nostro in instanti parliamento nostro, ex parte vestrâ exhibitas, compertum est quod vos ex dono & concessione sanctissimi confessoris Edwardi quondam regis Angliæ; interveniente auctoritate diversorum Romanorum Pontificum, neconon archiepiscoporum Cantuariensium, & quorumdam prædecessorum præfati episcopi; ecclesiam illam in proprios usus asssecuti fuistis, & eam sic appropriatam tenuistis per longa tempora retroacta: Nolentes vobis, super jure vestro, in hac parte, prætextu dictæ præsentationis nostræ, a nobis, veritate tacitâ, taliter impetratae, aliquod præjudicium generari,

~~act~~ A P P E N D I X.

orari, dictam præsentationem nostram,  
præfato Johanni ad eandem eccle-  
siam sic factam duximus revocan-  
dam; & vobis nichilominus concedi-  
mus quodd pro recuperatione posses-  
sionis vestræ ad eandem ecclesiam, a  
quâ colore dictæ presentationis nostræ  
amoti fuisti ut dicitur, prosequi pos-  
sitis in curiâ Christianitatis, quatenus  
ad forum ecclesiæ pertinet, non ob-  
stantibus præsentatione nostrâ præ-  
dictâ seu prohibitionibus nostris, si  
quaæ vobis super hoc delatæ fuerint  
**ex parte nostrâ.**

Teste rege apud Westmonasterium  
vicesimo secundo die Januarii.

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| xvii l. 11, 12, <i>read</i> prebendaries        |
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| 135, l. 6, <i>for</i> monks <i>read</i> canons. See Tanner, p. 314, note c.  |
| 142. The text and note may be reconciled by turning to "Ken-net's Register and Chronicle," p. 730. Dr. Seth Ward, when bishop of Exeter, procured the deanry of Burien to be settled, after the death of Dr. Weeks, upon the bishops of Exeter for ever. It did not become void till bishop Sparrow's time, who first enjoyed it. The bishops of Exeter were possessed of it till the death of bishop Blackall in 1716; when, by consent of parties, it was made a separate preferment, and given by the prince of Wales to Mr. Harris, the clerk of his closet. |
| 154, l. 9, <i>read</i> parfite   |
| 178, l. 1, <i>read</i> Sele. See Tanner, p. 552, note a.   |
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